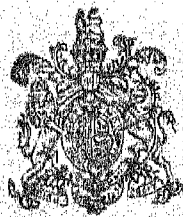


THE ANNUAL
ADMINISTRATION REPORT
OF THE
NAINI TAL MUNICIPALITY

FOR
THE YEAR ENDING 31ST MARCH 1927.



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FROM

N. C. STIFFE, ESQR., O. B. E., I. C. S.,
COMMISSIONER, KUMAON DIVISION.

TO

THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER AND
CHAIRMAN, CITY BOARD,
NAINI TAL.

Dated, Naini Tal, June 27th, 1927.

SIR,

I have the honour to acknowledge your No. 1940 of the 16th of June, 1927, being the Annual Administration Report of the City Board, Naini Tal.

2. It is not often in these days that one has to suggest to any Board that financial prudence can be carried to extremes; but after a careful analysis of your figures I feel that this criticism is justified. In the budget for the year under report you cut down your original works to a minimum; but I regret to see that you have spent Rs. 50,000 less than you budgetted: of this Rs. 25,000 are held up, while Government consider the question of the Boat House and Falli Tal sewer; but there is another Rs. 25,000 that might have been spent, and has not. I find that if you had spent the whole Rs. 50,000, which is a very reasonable provision for original works, you would still just have balanced your budget, even after paying the large demand for interest and sinking fund on the Hydro-electric scheme. As things are, you close with a balance of Rs. 2,89,473; and in consideration of the equilibrium above alluded to, it seems to me that you might seriously take into consideration the sanitary reports both of Col. Mearns and the preceding ones, and expend a considerable part of this balance on much needed sanitary improvements. Another item of capital expenditure, which I gather is receiving your consideration is the extension of electric light to Bhowali, and possibly further. Whether capital expenditure on this project can be made to pay its way or not, is a matter for you and your Electrical Engineer; but in view of the demand of the Bhowali Sanatorium, I trust that a conclusion will shortly be arrived at.

3. Your note concerning the Crosthwaite Hospital is not quite clear. I gather that you have satisfied the Civil Surgeon with regard to staff etc.; but whether the time has come for structural improvements I do not know. If these are still necessary, Government have promised assistance.

4. The large number of vaccinations performed are no doubt due to the small-pox out-break in the year under report; and I trust that the energy displayed in this direction will not flag, now that the menace has been removed.

5. I am glad to note that action was taken last season against ownerless dogs, and the necessity for the same has recently forced itself on our attention.

6. I am forced to wonder if your educational Appendix B is correct. If it is, it would appear that the cost of a pupil in a Municipal Primary School is about Rs. 21 a year; in a aided school Rs 10 a year; and girls' school Rs. 7 a year; these figures seem to me incredible. I should be glad if you would look into the matter, especially as you have a scheme for increasing your numbers by compulsion.

7. The purchase of the Assembly Rooms debentures, as to which I was rather doubtful, appears to have been a sound move; and the reconditioning of the building is undoubtedly a benefit to the public, which it now appears should not cost the Board any great sum.

I congratulate you heartily on the admirable results obtained in the collection of your demands, a result which reflects the greatest credit on all concerned. It is further pleasant to note the very regular attendance of your members; and I have noted the names, both of members and officials, whom you specially mention. I am glad to see that you appreciate the work of Mr. Hemsworth, and I trust that the very excellent report made on his work by the technical advisors to Government will be brought to the notice of the Board. I agree with you that the gratitude of the Board and that of the whole of Naini Tal is due in the highest measure to Mr. Gill, whose services I hope that you will long be able to retain.

I have the honour to be,

SIR,

Your most obedient servant,

N. C. STIFFE,

COMMISSIONER,

Kumaon Division.

No. 1940/I-3.

FROM

W. E. J. DOBBS, Esq., I. C. S.,

DEPUTY COMMISSIONER & CHAIRMAN,

City Board, Naini Tal.

TO

THE COMMISSIONER,

KUMAON DIVISION,

Naini Tal.

Dated, Naini Tal, the 16th June 1927.

SIR,

I have the honour to submit the Annual Administration Report of the Naini Tal Municipality for the year ending 31st March 1927, with the statements and appendices, passed by the Board's special resolution No. 11 dated 8th June 1927.

2. Mr. Clay was Chairman throughout the year. I took over charge on the forenoon of April 7th, 1927. Captain Corbett and Rai Bahadur L. Jai Lal Sah acted as Senior and Junior Vice-Chairmen respectively up to the end of October 1926. In November 1926, when the new Board came into existence, the latter was elected as Senior and Mr. R. C. Busher as Junior Vice-Chairman.

Constitution.

3. The constitution of the Board was changed by Government Notification No. 1933/XI-R. B 79 dated July 20th, 1926. The number of elected members was increased from six to eight i.e. one to represent "Proprietors," three to represent "Petty-Holders," one to represent "Tenants," two to represent "General Electorate" and one to represent muslims of all classes, and the number of nominated members was reduced from five to four.

4. The elections were held in September 1926; and the competition was very keen in all the classes. The new Board came into existence on 1st November 1926 and the result of the elections is given below:—

Class.	Names of outgoing members.	Names of elected members.
Proprietors	<div>1. Rai Bahadur L. Jai Lal Sah.</div> <div>2. L. Durga Sah Kumaiyan,</div>	<div>1. Rai Bahadur L. Jai Lal Sah. (re-elected).</div>
Petty-Holders	<div>1. L. Indra Lal Sah, B. A., LL. B.</div> <div>2. L. Keshi Sah.</div>	<div>1. L. Indra Lal Sah, B. A., LL. B. (re-elected.)</div> <div>2. L. Kishori Lal Sah.</div> <div>3. P. Jagan Nath Joshi.</div>
Tenants.	1. Dr. M. A. Sah.	1. Mr. J. D. Grant.
General Electorate	1. L. Kishori Lal Sah, B. A., LL. B.	<div>1. L. Kishori Lal Sah, B. A., LL. B. (re-elected.)</div> <div>2. Dr. Indra Lal Sah, Gangola.</div>
Muslim constituency.		1. Sheikh Mohammad Naqi.

Mr. R. C. Busher, Captain Corbett and Khan Sahib Sheikh Abdul Qaiyum were renominated. The Executive Engineer, Kumaon Division, Naini Tal, was appointed *ex-officio* member in place of the District Engineer, Naini Tal, and the seat of the Joint Magistrate, Naini Tal, was abolished.

An election petition under sections 19 and 20 of the United Provinces Municipalities Act, 1916, was filed in your court by Dr. M. A. Shah against the election of Sheikh Mohammad Naqi, but it was dismissed.

5. During the year thirteen meetings were held and none was adjourned for want of a quorum. Of these 8 were of the old Board and five of the new. The number of attendances are shown below:—

Ex-officio Chairman:

Mr. J. M. Clay	(a. a.)	(a. a.)	(a. a.)	12
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Nominated members:

Mr. S. G. Edgar	(a. a.)	(a. a.)	(a. a.)	11
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Captain E. de V. Moss, I.C.S.	(a. a.)	(a. a.)	(a. a.)	7
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Captain J. Corbett	(a. a.)	(a. a.)	(a. a.)	5
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Mr. R. C. Busher, M. A.	(a. a.)	(a. a.)	(a. a.)	13
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Khan Sahib Sheikh Abdul Qaiyum	(a. a.)	(a. a.)	(a. a.)	10
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Elected members:

Proprietors:

Rai Bahadur L. Jai Lal Sah.	(a. a.)	(a. a.)	(a. a.)	12
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L. Durga Sah Kumaiyan	(a. a.)	(a. a.)	(a. a.)	6
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Petty-Holders:

L. Indra Lal Sah, B. A., LL. B.	(a. a.)	(a. a.)	(a. a.)	13
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L. Keshi Sah	(a. a.)	(a. a.)	(a. a.)	7
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L. Kishori Lal Sah	(a. a.)	(a. a.)	(a. a.)	5
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P. Jagan Nath Joshi	(a. a.)	(a. a.)	(a. a.)	5
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Tenants:

Dr. M. A. Shah	(a. a.)	(a. a.)	(a. a.)	7
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Mr. J. D. Grant	(a. a.)	(a. a.)	(a. a.)	5
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General Electorate:

L. Kishori Lal Sah, B. A., LL. B.	(a. a.)	(a. a.)	(a. a.)	11
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Dr. Indra Lal Sah Gangola	(a. a.)	(a. a.)	(a. a.)	5
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Muslim Constituency:

Sheikh Mohammad Naqi	(a. a.)	(a. a.)	(a. a.)	3
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The average attendance of members—both official and non-official—was much better than in the previous year.

The sub-committees by whom the bulk of the work was disposed of held meetings as below :—

Public Works	..	..	..	8
Public Health	..	..	..	8
Finance	..	..	..	11
Toll and Taxes	..	..	..	11
Education	..	..	..	8

The Market committee met once and the Assessment committee on several occasions.

6. The receipts for the year, excluding Hydro-electric income and Government grants, amounted to Rs. 3,34,159 as against Rs. 3,24,954 in 1925-26, or an increase of Rs. 9,205 or 2·8 per cent. Of this increase the toll tax is responsible for Rs. 8,431, and is due to the revised rate of toll of Re. 1 on lorry and bus passengers sanctioned in Government Notification No. 264/XI-476 E, dated January 26th, 1926, being in force for the whole year as against two months in the previous year. Had the toll limit not been extended at the same time as the reduction in toll was made, the whole of this increase would have been lost to the Board, as passengers would have alighted at the old limit and walked in. Even now with the toll limit at the 6th mile on the Kathgodam motor road many lorry and bus passengers alight before reaching the limit and walk in by short cuts.

Income excluding
Hydro-electric.

The variations under other heads calling for notice are explained below :—

Item No. 20. Fees and revenue from medical institutions.—The increase of Rs. 1,093 is due to the fact that during the year under report the contribution payable by the District Board to the Crosthwaite hospital was received for the whole year 1925-26, whereas the contribution payable for the year 1924-25 was based on only 4 months' expenditure, the hospital having been transferred to the control of the Board on 1st December 1924. The District Board has so far declined to meet its share of the expenditure on the Manora hospital incurred in the years 1924-25 and 1925-26 viz. Rs. 574.

Item No. 23. Sale of water.—The decrease of Rs. 3,575 is due to a smaller demand for water owing to a large number of houses being occupied for short periods during the year under report.

Item No. 28. Interest on debentures.—The sum of Rs. 1,425 represents the interest for the year 1923 on Assembly Rooms debentures of the face value of Rs. 20,900 purchased by the Board in the year 1925-26 at Rs. 71 per debenture.

Item No. 41. Miscellaneous other items.—The increase of Rs. 1,460 includes a sum of Rs. 1,288 refunded from the Provident Fund Account as the payment of this sum as a bonus to the account of the late Electrical Engineer was considered irregular.

The total receipts of the year including the opening balance and Government grants amounted to Rs. 5,45,906.

7. The total expenditure excluding Hydro-electric disbursements, amounted to Rs. 1,97,274, as against Rs. 2,98,550 in the previous year, showing a decrease of Rs. 1,01,276. This decrease is accounted for as follows :—

Disbursements ex-
cluding Hydro-electric.

Cost of street lighting and power for pumping water has been eliminated from both sides of the account as from the year under report the Hydro-electric and Water works are being treated as a single scheme. In the previous year the cost on this account was :

	Rs.
Street lighting	21,000
Cost of power for pumping water ..	24,764

In addition to above the following decreases have occurred :

(a) Capital outlay on water works ..	10,359
(b) The interest on the 2nd Hydro-electric loan of Rs. 9 lacs was reduced from 7 to 6 per cent ..	7,118
(c) Government grant for Hydro-electric discontinued ..	30,000
(d) Remission of old water works loan saving the Board annual instalments of ..	23,014
(e) Decrease in investments (no investments having been made during the year) ..	14,839
Total ..	1,31,094

On the other hand increased expenditure was incurred under other heads, the only item calling for remark being *item No. 14 Drainage Capital outlay* under which there is an increase of Rs. 1,598. The improvement of the drainage arrangements on the Haldwani road is responsible for this increase.

The year closed with a balance of Rs. 3,48,632 of which Rs. 59,159 was utilised for meeting the deficit balance under Hydro-electric. A further sum of Rs. 51,366 is earmarked for incomplete works and works not yet taken in hand.

Hydro-electric income.

8. The receipts amounted to Rs. 98,919 as against Rs. 1,48,731 in the previous year ; but from the latter should be excluded book credits amounting to Rs. 45,764 on account of public street lighting and power for driving water which has been eliminated from both sides of the account, the Hydro-electric and Water Works being treated as a single scheme. There was actually a decrease of Rs. 4,048.

While sale of current for lighting and heating has brought in a total of Rs. 76,576 an increase of Rs. 3,615 due to new connections, the receipts from service line connections has fallen by Rs. 9,318. As a matter of fact this is not income. It simply represents actual cost of materials used in connecting houses with the mains and forms part of capital outlay. The increase under miscellaneous receipts is due to work carried out by the Electrical Engineer for the Eastern Command offices and the Naini Tal club.

The total income, including the opening balance of Rs. 34,283 amounted to Rs. 1,33,202.

Hydro-electric expenditure.

9. The expenditure was practically the same as in the previous year, the figures being Rs. 46,505 and Rs. 46,957 respectively. Adding to the former the instalments of the loans paid to Government *viz.*, Rs. 1,45,856 the total expenditure amounted to Rs. 1,92,361 which exceeded the total receipts by Rs. 59,159.

Treating Hydro-electric and Water Works as a single scheme the financial position is as follows :—

<i>Receipts.</i>		<i>Expenditure.</i>	
	Rs.		Rs.
Sale of current	.. 76,576	Water Works maintenance	.. 19,596
Water tax	.. 45,874	Hydro-electric maintenance	.. 46,349
Other water receipts	.. 27,881	Loan charges	.. 1,36,006
Total	.. 1,50,331	Total	.. 2,01,951
Deficit	.. 51,620		
	<u>2,01,951</u>		

The position is worse than it was in 1925-26, the deficit having risen from Rs. 48,571 to Rs. 51,620.

The Board's main hope of increased income from current seems to lie in an expansion of the local demand; but discussions are in progress which may lead to the establishment of connections with outlying towns.

10. The total grants received from Government during the year amounted to Rs. 6,060 only *i.e.* Rs. 5,000 for general sanitary purposes and Rs. 1,060 towards the pay of sanitary inspectors.

Government Grants.

In the year 1923-24 an application was made for a grant of Rs. 8,472 for meeting the cost of special repairs to the slip at Crag Ellachie but no orders have yet been passed. The work has, therefore, not been taken in hand.

As stated in para. 14 of the last year's report the project for supplementing the water supply from the lake by installing a motor pump at the lake side and a chloronome water sterilizing plant at the Water Works reservoir was received back from the Board of Public Health for further particulars; but as the scheme was completed and paid for out of municipal funds the Board of Public Health was informed that the Board was prepared to withdraw its application for a grant of Rs. 7,500 if the Board of Public Health would give substantial assistance towards the project for laying a new sewer pipe line from the Naini Tal club boat house to Talli Tal, in the shape of a grant of rupees one lakh in the year 1926-27.

The preliminary proposals for replacing the old sewer pipe line throughout its length by pipes of larger diameter including the portion from the Naini Tal club boat house to Talli Tal was estimated to cost Rs. 2,47,426, and in my letter No. 2175/IX 31 dated July 3rd, 1926, you were asked to move the Board of Public Health to make a grant of one lakh in the year 1926-27 and of Rs. 1,17,426 in the current year the balance Rs. 30,000 being met from municipal funds. The grants applied for have not yet been sanctioned and final orders are awaited.

11. As final orders regarding the remission of the old Water Works loan were not received before the close of the financial year 1925-26, the Board paid the instalment of Rs. 11,507 which fell due on April 1st, 1926 with the intention of asking for a refund when sanction to the writing off of the loan was received. Final orders were passed on the 14th June 1926. The actual balance of the loan on March 31st, 1926, was Rs. 93,842-13-1 but a sum of Rs. 84,215-13 only, after taking into

Loan.

account the instalment of Rs. 11,507 paid by the Board on April 1st, 1926, was written off. The Deputy Chief Accounting Officer also demanded a sum of Rs. 632-14-10 on account of interest on this loan for the period April 1st, 1926, to June 14th, 1926. On receipt of Government orders a refund of Rs. 11,507 was applied for, but this was refused. The case was again represented and in G. O. No. 596/XI-451-E dated 15th March 1927, the Deputy Chief Accounting Officer was ordered to adjust the payment of Rs. 11 507 against the amount of principal due from the Board in liquidation of the loan of Rs. 70,000 taken in 1922 for house wiring and purchase of meters, instead of refunding the amount to the Board. The sum of Rs. 682-14-10 demanded by the Deputy Chief Accounting Officer on account of interest was also written off. It has been ascertained from the Deputy Chief Accounting Officer that this adjustment will not alter the instalments payable half-yearly, which will remain the same till the loan is liquidated. The Government will be addressed on the subject.

The Government exempted the Board from paying the penal interest amounting to Rs. 1,184-7-9 on the first instalment of the second Hydro-electric loan of Rs. 9 lakhs paid in November 1925 instead of on July 1st, 1925.

The market loan has been liquidated and the yearly instalments of the loans now payable by the Board amount to Rs. 1,45,856 as detailed below:—

First Hydro-electric loan of Rs. 9·82 lacs @ Rs. 6	Rs.
per cent. per annum	70,966
Second Hydro-electric loan of Rs. 9 lacs @ Rs. 6 per	
cent. per annum	65,040
Meter purchase and house wiring loan of Rs. 70,000	
at Rs. 7 per cent. per annum	9,850
Total	1,45,856

On the 31st March 1927 the balances of these loans stood as under:—

	Rs.
First Hydro-electric loan	9,21,166
Second Hydro-electric loan	8,71,464
Meter purchase and house wiring loan	32,127

Original Works
(Form B.)

12. The amount allotted during the year for original works and special repairs was Rs. 78,548 as detailed in Form B. Out of this a sum of Rs. 13,559 only was spent and a sum of Rs. 51,366 has been carried forward to the current year to meet the cost of works in progress or not taken up during the year under report. Important works carried out were the drainage of the Haldwani road, enlargement of the Woodbine Lodge water flushed latrine, construction of an urinal near the dharamshala at Malli Tal and widening of the road in front of the dandy and pony sheds. A new water stand post near the Assembly Rooms has been provided for the convenience of the public. A room was added to the existing bathing shed at Malli Tal and railings were fixed behind it. A sum of Rs. 8,500 was provided for special repairs due to monsoon damages of municipal roads but a sum of Rs. 1,366 only was demanded by and paid to the Public Works Department.

Water Works.

13. The receipts of the year amounted to Rs. 77,601 and the expenditure including the proportionate interest and sinking fund charges on the sum spent on the electric plant and pump house was Rs. 25,539, but excluding the cost of power for pumping, amounted to Rs. 45,185. The surplus

is Rs. 32,416 as against Rs. 13,766 in the previous year. This excess is due to the abolition of the old Water Works loan with effect from April 1st, 1926. In addition to the above expenditure a sum of Rs. 1,274 was spent on works detailed in Form B, debitable to capital outlay. If this is taken into account the surplus will amount to Rs. 31,142; but if a further reduction of Rs. 27,123 on account of cost of power for pumping (144,658 units @ 3 as a unit) is made this surplus will be reduced to Rs. 4 019.

The consumption of pumped water increased from 36 million gallons to about 39 millions in the year under report.

Mr. Hemsworth has been in charge of the Water Works department since the 5th July 1926, and his report on the working of the Water Works is appended to this report.

14. The general health of the settlement was on the whole very good. There was an epidemic of small pox in the Talli Tal and Malli Tal bazars. The origin was due to imported cases being concealed in bazar houses. The number of cases treated in the Manora hospital during the year was 94 as against 17 in the year previous. These consisted of 66 cases of smallpox, 18 of chickenpox, 7 of measles, 2 of mumps and one of dermatitis. The maintenance charges amounted to Rs. 2,680 as against Rs. 1,297 in 1925-26.

Sanitation.

A sum of Rs. 574 on account of one-fourth share of the expenditure on the maintenance of this hospital during the years 1924-25 and 1925-26 was demanded from the District Board; but they objected to paying it. The matter has again been referred to them, and they have been told that if they are not willing to meet the quarter share of the expenditure in future no patients from places outside municipal limits will be admitted into the hospital, and that they should make their own arrangements for such patients. No reply has yet been received.

The number of births registered was 358 as against 354 in 1925-26. Deaths recorded were 245 including 62 children under 12 months' old. The figures for the previous year were 251 and 62 respectively.

The existing sewer was thoroughly scraped, cleaned and flushed. As stated in the previous report the cost of replacing the old sewer throughout its length by pipes of larger diameter was estimated at Rs. 2,47,426. The project was submitted to you with the request that the sanction of the Board of Public Health be obtained, and that it be moved to make a grant of one lac in the year under report and of Rs. 1,17,426 in the current year. It is understood that the Board of Public Health has recommended the grant to Government, but no orders have yet been received.

A detailed sanitary survey of the Municipality was made by Lt-Col. W. A. Mearns, I. M. S., Assistant Director of Public Health, II Range, U. P., during the period 13th to 18th September 1926. A copy of his inspection note was received on the 14th October 1926, and was referred to the Public Health Committee. The latter made the following recommendations :—

- I. That all the floors of pail depots be cemented and the water hydrant and nozzle at Malli Tal pail depot be replaced.
- II. That the wire netting of Malli Tal market be repaired and its doors and windows made absolutely fly-proof.
- III. That the buckets of public latrines be tarred quarterly.
- IV. That the Ramsay Hospital water pipe be bricked in where it passes the pail depot or the pipe be removed higher.

V. That a notice be served on the owner of a small dairy in the market to improve the general sanitary condition of the dairy within a fortnight or the dairy be closed.

VI. That in regard to notifiable diseases the committee is in sympathy with the recommendations, but at present they have no funds to provide an additional isolation hospital.

It was also resolved that the following recommendations be taken into consideration when funds permit:—

(1) Construction of a small epidemic hospital consisting of 12 *pukka huts* above the infectious block of Ramsay Hospital or at any other suitable site.

(2) If a suitable site is available a small cooly barrack be erected and also a municipal dairy be established under medical control.

(3) The number of incinerators be increased.

(4) Absorption pits be tried and in future covered bins be substituted.

(5) One additional pail depot be erected for the Ayarpatta side.

(6) The cow-sheds in Malli Tal be demolished and the said area utilised for building purposes.

The Board approved the recommendations made and resolved that action be taken on recommendations I to V, and that the Public Health Committee be asked to take up the recommendations included in items (1) to (6) in order of urgency.

As stated last year applications for plots of land on which cow-sheds, pedlars' stalls, poultry sheds, Municipal godown etc. stand at present were received and were being dealt with. It was then ascertained that the premium fixed would not be sufficient to cover the expenditure on reconstructing the dismantled buildings. It was therefore decided that the premium be doubled. Persons who applied for sites were then asked if they were willing to pay the enhanced premium. Some have agreed and the case is being dealt with by the Public Works Committee.

Messrs. Govin & Co. applied for permission to take water from the pipe running to Dhobighat for Takula. Permission has been given to them to take, free of charge, any surplus water from the spring below the Talli Tal post office, after all existing demands on this spring have been fully met subject to the condition that this water is used for the purposes of a dairy farm at Takula to improve the municipal milk supply. This permission, which would be withdrawn if the water was not used or ceased to be used for the purposes specified above, carried with it no guarantee either as to the quantity or quality of the water available from the spring. The connection has not yet been made; but the dairy has been opened in the current year.

The work of the midwife has been much appreciated. She attended 24 births and treated 577 gynaecological cases.

The number of vaccinations performed during the year was 5,366 of which 39.55 per cent. of secondary and all primary operations are reported to have been successful. The total cost of vaccination amounted to Rs. 718.

During the year four chemical and 163 bacteriological analyses were carried out. Of the latter the result of 67 analyses was unsatisfactory.

The Crosthwaite Hospital was maintained by the Board at a cost of Rs. 15,494 and a sum of Rs. 506 was spent on special repairs to buildings. The District Board paid a contribution of Rs. 1,819 on account of one-tenth cost of maintenance for the year 1925-26. Government in G. O. No. 970C N./V.—94 dated September 18th, 1926, refused the Board's request for a substantial grant towards the maintenance of this hospital; but stated that should the Board contemplate a scheme for improving or enlarging the hospital beyond its present standard of maintenance, the Government would be prepared to consider the possibility of making a special grant in order to help the Board to carry out this improvement scheme, provided that the scheme was prepared on definite lines, with full details. The Civil Surgeon was accordingly requested to prepare a scheme; but he replied that no expenditure however lavish on buildings and increased accommodation can do any good unless an adequate and competent staff is provided, and that without improvement in the staff the hospital will remain, as at present, scandalously inefficient and inadequate as an institution for the care of the sick. A sub-committee was then appointed, and it made the following recommendations:—

- (1) appointment of two male nurses,
- (2) increase of pay to the menial staff,
- (3) allowances to compounders,
- (4) increase in the allotments for European medicines and diet,
- (5) purchase of a high pressure sterilizer, surgical instruments and operating table,
- (6) minor structural alterations in the building, and
- (7) construction of quarters for the male nurses and the third compounder,

The Board approved the above recommendations and resolved that provision be made in the revised budget for the current year for items other than those already provided for.

The usual contribution of Rs. 2,000 was paid to the Ramsay Hospital.

Captain Kapur was in-charge of the sanitation department throughout the year.

Eighty-three ownerless and stray dogs were destroyed during the year.

15. This seasonal hospital opened on the 17th of April 1926 and closed on the 3rd November 1926. Six hundred and forty out and fifty-five indoor patients were treated during the season as against 523 out and 54 indoor patients in the year before.

Veterinary Hospital.

The receipts amounted to Rs. 908 and the expenditure to Rs. 1,587 as against Rs. 997 and Rs. 1,804 respectively in 1925-26.

An objection was raised at the last audit regarding the amounts due by certain persons on account of veterinary charges which had to be written off as irrecoverable owing to the addresses of the defaulters not being known. The Board has decided that these charges should, in future, be recovered in advance.

M. Nasirul Hasan Qadri, Veterinary Assistant Surgeon, was again in-charge of the hospital and his work was very satisfactory.

Roads, Drains &
Lake.

16. The rainfall during the calendar year 1926 was slightly over normal. At the P. W. D. godown were registered 97.56 inches against 98.48 inches in 1925 and at new Government House 102.09 inches against 99.62 inches. The normal rainfall is 93.7 inches. Heavy rain fell on only three days in July 1926, the heaviest being 13.20 inches on July 18th, 1926, in about five hours. Snow fell on six days, the heaviest fall being 6.3 inches on March 8th, 1926.

The Naini Tal drainage system, which is under the control of the Public Works Department, worked well. A separate report on this and on the hill slopes round Naini Tal is submitted to Government direct by the Public Works Department.

There was little damage to the roads on Ayarpatta hill except to Dalhousie and Ramsay roads, the former being damaged near the gate of St. Leonard private road by water overflowing drain No. 41, and the latter was damaged near the Ramnee Convent cowshed by a landslide coming down from the Long View compound. No damage worth mentioning was done to roads on Sherkadanda hill.

The operation of lake sluices was transferred back to the Public Works Department with effect from 9th August 1926. The existing sluices are being remodelled by the Public Works Department.

Education.

17. The expenditure incurred in the maintenance of the Municipal Primary School at Malli Tal amounted to Rs. 3,596 as against Rs. 3,409 in the year previous. Some improvements in the building were also carried out at a cost of Rs. 303. The accommodation in the school is still insufficient and on the introduction of compulsory primary education additional rooms will have to be made. As usual, a grant of Rs. 1,000 was given to the Diamond Jubilee Branch School, Talli Tal, which is a private institution. As regards the triangular plot of land near the P. W. D. godown selected for the construction of the Talli Tal School, the Executive Engineer, Kumaon Division, has informed the Board that it cannot be transferred to the Municipal Board as it will be required by Government for the erection of clerks' quarters. It is now proposed to erect this building on the site in front of the Police Station, Talli Tal.

In Notification No 785/XV-966—1925 dated the 29th October 1926, the Government notified that the primary education of male children, whose ages are not less than six and not more than eleven years, shall be compulsory in the Naini Tal Municipality with effect from the 29th December 1926. Government also approved the proposal of constructing school buildings at an estimated cost of Rs. 29,000 and the following additional maximum annual expenditure:—

	Recurring.	Non-recurring.
1st year	3,329	280.
2nd year	3,562	123.
3rd year	3,562	..

The Government has agreed to assist the Board to the extent of two-thirds of the extra cost involved provided that the total contribution made by Government to the Municipality on account of primary education shall not exceed 60 per cent of the total cost of the same.

Compulsory primary education has not yet been actually introduced as teachers are being selected in consultation with the Assistant Inspector of Schools and necessary regulations made. It is hoped that it will be introduced by the 1st of July 1927.

The present school building at Talli Tal has been rented by the Board for the current year but as soon as the Government grant towards the construction of school buildings is received additional rooms at the Malli Tal Primary school will be made and new buildings erected for the Talli Tal and Babuliya schools.

The enrolment remained practically the same as last year. On the 31st March 1927 it was 184 in the municipal Primary school, Malli Tal, and 103 in the Diamond Jubilee Branch School, Talli Tal, as against 171 and 106 respectively on March 31st, 1926.

Altogether there are four girls' schools in the Municipality—two in Malli Tal and two in Talli Tal. One is maintained by Government, one by a private gentleman and two by the American Mission. The Board gives a grant of Rs. 700 per annum to the Mission authorities towards the maintenance of two schools—one at Malli Tal and the other at Talli Tal. The enrolment on 31st March 1927 in the Malli Tal school remained the same as in the year previous *i. e.* 26, but in the Talli Tal school it rose from 65 to 76.

18. Appended to this report is a statement of accounts of the Assembly Rooms for the year ending 31st March 1927. The income of the year was Rs. 6,470 as against Rs. 6,245 in the year previous, and the expenditure amounted to Rs. 7,117 as against Rs. 4,460 in the year 1925-26. The year opened with a balance of Rs. 4,666 and closed with a balance of Rs. 4,019. The increase in the expenditure is due to the fact that a sum of Rs. 2,100 was paid to the debenture-holders on account of interest for the calendar year 1923. The special repairs to the building which were estimated to cost Rs. 10,000 have been completed and a cabin in accordance with the regulations and rules made under the Cinematograph Act has been constructed.

Assembly Rooms.

The interest on debentures for the years 1924, 1925 and 1926 will be paid off in the current year.

19. Government approved the proposal of adding a note to rule 10 of the Water Supply Rules regarding the definition of a "building" for purposes of calculating the rebate on a metered water supply. In April 1926 the Naini Tal Motor Transport Co. requested that 20 seers of baggage or bedding be allowed free per passenger travelling in motor vehicles. This letter was laid before the Board and it was proposed that item 3 of the schedule of toll rates be amended accordingly. The proposal was submitted to Government and sanctioned with effect from April 1st, 1927.

Rules, regulations
and bye-laws.

A bye-law to regulate the motor traffic at the motor parao at Talli Tal was added as bye-law No. 13 to the bye-laws for the regulation of traffic and an addition was made in bye-law No. 6 of the same to prohibit the riding of cycles by more than one person at a time. As bicycles plying for hire were becoming a nuisance and danger to pedestrians bye-laws were framed for regulating and licensing of the same. A heavy fee of Rs. 50 per bicycle was fixed to minimise the number of such bicycles. As a result of this not a single license was taken out during the year under report. An amendment was made in bye-law No. 1 of the bye-laws for the regulation of serais and paraos to make it clearer regarding auction sales.

As stated in paragraph 23 of the last year's report the Imperial Bank of India reduced the rate of interest on the special savings bank account opened with them for the Board's provident fund money from 4 to 3½ per cent with effect from 1st March 1926. The bank further reduced the rate to Rs. 3 per cent from 1st August 1926 *i. e.* the same as that allowed by the post office. It was therefore decided that the account be retransferred to the post office. This was done and a sum of Rs. 11,966 was invested in 5 year Post Office cash certificates. In October 1921 U. P. Bonds of the face value of Rs. 20,000 were purchased. As the rate was favourable they were sold at Rs. 106-6 per cent and the sale proceeds invested in cash certificates.

Regulation No. 3 of the provident fund regulations was amended as suggested in G. O. No. 2272/XI-5-H-1 dated August 31st, 1926. This amendment provides that applications received after the expiry of six months from the date at which the depositor becomes eligible for a bonus, may be entertained and claims investigated in exceptional cases, if the Chairman is satisfied that the delay was justifiable.

The rate for the supply of electric energy for heating and cooking purposes during the winter months *i. e.* from 1st November to 31st March was again reduced to six pies per unit; but only a few persons took advantage of this concession.

As toll tax brings in a substantial revenue to the Board and is one of the few municipal taxes which at present shows an upward tendency, and as constant applications were being made by all kinds of officials who have little, if any, claim to exemption the whole question of exemptions was considered by the Toll and Taxes Committee who recommended certain amendments in the toll exemption schedule. The Board approved the recommendations; but was of opinion that the best and fairest way of dealing with the question would be the complete abolition of all exemptions, provided the Government would agree to this course being adopted. You were addressed on the subject in my letters Nos. 5839 and 5948 dated 26th January 1927 and 3rd February 1927 respectively. The matter has been referred to the Government and orders are awaited.

Audit of accounts.

20. The accounts for the year 1925-26 were audited from 19th of May to the 15th of July 1926. It was remarked that the accounts in general and those of toll in particular were, on the whole, well maintained and properly supervised, but that the purchases of stores for the Hydro electric and Water Works department demand special attention. The Electrical Engineer has now been authorized to purchase any article required up to an amount of Rs. 500 within budget allotment. The number of objections raised by the auditors was 92 and on completion of audit only 22 remained unsettled.

Prosecutions.

21. The total number of cases convicted by Courts during the year for which fines were credited to Municipal funds was 81 and the fines amounted to Rs. 540. Of these seven cases were for adulteration of milk. Rs. 580 were realized for compounding 164 cases of which 99 were for breaches of forest law, 22 for evasion of toll and the remainder for breaches of municipal bye-laws or rules.

Appendix BB. Collection of taxes and rates.

22. This appendix shows the demands and collections under certain heads of income. The total demand including arrears was Rs. 2,28,141 and the collections Rs. 2,22,717 or 97.63 per cent as against 95.84 in 1925-26. A sum of only Rs. 326 was remitted as against Rs. 1,153 in the previous year. Out of the sum of Rs. 5,098 outstanding at the close of March 1927, a sum of Rs. 3,190 has since been collected. The following statement shows the percentage of collections under each head:—

Tax on houses	(19.9)	(18.1)	(100.0)	98.3
Water tax	(19.9)	(18.1)	(100.0)	98.3
Sale of water	(19.9)	(18.1)	(100.0)	98.0
Scavenging tax	(19.9)	(18.1)	(100.0)	95.9
Conservancy receipts other than taxes			(100.0)	100.0
Rents of lands, houses and serais, &c.			(100.0)	96.2
Sale proceeds of lands and produce of lands			(100.0)	100.0
Fees and revenue from markets, &c.			(100.0)	99.8

Scavenging tax is a very difficult tax to recover. At the end of the season people go down to the Plains without leaving any address. However, better results were obtained in the year under report than in the previous year, the collection being 95.9 per cent as against 92.4.

On the whole the result of the collections is very satisfactory.

23. The revenue of the year was Rs. 2,317 compared with Rs. 1,752 in the previous year. One hundred and twenty-two trees and some branches were sold for Rs. 1,622. Seventeen trees were cut and delivered to the Manora Epidemic Hospital for fuel, 31 given to the municipal overseer for brakes for conservancy carts and for fencing posts round the fuel depots, seven used for protective works at the Durgapur Power House, and three to the Public Works Department for constructing barriers etc. The number of cattle impounded during the year was 343 and the pound receipts amounted to Rs. 174. One hundred and eighteen cases for breaches of the forest law were compounded or convicted and a sum of Rs. 321 was received on this account.

Forests.

The revised working plan of the Naini Tal Municipal forests is being prepared by Mr. P. C. Kanji Lal, Working Plans Officer, Naini Tal Division, and will shortly be completed.

A very interesting report on the denuded areas in the catchment area of the Naini Tal lake drawn up by Mr. Kanji Lal, I. F. S., has recently been received and is being dealt with.

Thirty-one female poplar trees in private compounds were felled during the year. In view of the fact that the Deputy Conservator of Forests, Naini Tal Division, was of the opinion that it is necessary to preserve the municipal forests as much as possible, especially on the east side of the lake, no female poplar trees were felled within municipal forests and the ranger has been ordered to desist from marking any in future.

24. No necessity arose for taking action under section 248 of the United Provinces Municipalities Act, 1916.

25. The work of the Board as a whole has been good. Mr. R. C. Busher, M. A. and L. Indra Lal Sah, B. A., L. L. B., attended all the meetings, Rai Bahadur L. Jai Lal Sah attended 12, Mr. S. G. Edgar and L. Kishori Lal Sah, B. A., L. L. B., 11 each and Khan Sahib Sheikh Abdul Qaiyum 10. Of the new members elected from 1st November, L. Kishori Lal Sah, P. Jagan Nath Joshi, Mr. J. D. Grant and Dr. Indra Lal Gangola attended all the meetings—5 in number.

Work of the Board.

26. Mr. D. D. Hemsworth was appointed Electrical Engineer and Superintendent, Water Works with effect from 5th July 1926. He has overhauled both the departments under his charge and everything is now in very good working order. He takes a keen interest in improving the income of the Hydro-electric installation: and has also effected considerable economies.

Staff.

The work of the staff has been good especially that of Pt. Har Prasad Jha, Head Clerk, and B. Bishambhar Dayal, Overseer.

The Board is indebted to Mr. S. G. Edgar, Divisional Engineer, for the valuable advice and assistance given by him.

As you are aware, I have been associated with the Board for too short a period to make many useful comments or suggestions in the year's working and on the problems confronting the Board. But two months' experience has been enough to impress me with the value of Mr. H. W. Gill's services as Secretary and to enable me to endorse my predecessor's remarks as to the results of his supervision.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

W. E. J. DOBBS, I. C. S.,
Chairman.

Enclosures.

1. Copy of special resolution Nos. 23 and 11 of the meetings of the Municipal Board of Naini Tal held on the 28th April and 8th June 1927 respectively.
2. Statement in Form A.
3. Hydro-electric balance sheet.
4. Statement in Form B.
5. Appendix A.
6. Appendix B.
7. Appendix BB.
8. Appendix C.
9. Appendix D.
10. Appendix E.
11. A brief report on the working of the Naini Tal Water Works.
12. Sanitary Report.
13. Abstract of the Assembly Rooms account.
14. A brief report on the working of the Hydro-electric.

H. W. GILL,
Secretary.

W. E. J. DOBBS, I. C. S.,
Chairman.

Copy of special resolution No. 23 of a meeting of the Municipal Board of Naini Tal held on the 28th April 1927.

Sanitary report for the year ending 31st March 1927 : to be considered and passed.

PASSED.

Copy of special resolution No. 11 of a meeting of the Municipal Board of Naini Tal held on the 8th June 1927.

The Annual Administration Report for the year ending 31st March 1927 with the statements and appendices : to be considered and passed.

Passed with two minor amendments.

H. W. GILL,
Secretary.

W. E. J. DOBBS, I. C. S.,
Chairman.

The list of outstanding sums which could not be paid within the year is blank.

H. W. GILL,
Secretary.

W. E. J. DOBBS, I. C. S.,
Chairman.

Form A.

Annual Statement of Income and Expenditure for
the year ending 31st March 1927

OF

NAINI TAL MUNICIPALITY

FOR 1926-27.

(Population— $\frac{16,517 \text{ Summer.}}{10,392 \text{ Winter.}}$)

No. of item.	Heads of income.	Actuals of the previous year, 1925-26	Revised budget estimate for the current year, 1926-27.	Actuals for the current year, 1926-27.
1	2	3	4	5
		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
1	BY BALANCE IN HAND AT CLOSE OF LAST YEAR ...	2,28,706	2,39,970	2,39,970
	MUNICIPAL RATES AND TAXES—			
3	Tax on the annual value of buildings and lands ...	67,588	67,000	68,059
4	TAX ON ANIMALS AND VEHICLES—			
	(a) Tax on vehicles and other conveyances and on boats	228	224	224
	(c) Tax on animals used for riding, driving, etc. ...	1,853	1,650	1,742
6	Tolls (on roads and ferries)	77,585	87,000	86,316
7	Water tax	45,652	45,000	45,874
9	Conservancy (including scavenging and latrine) taxes.	58,309	55,000	58,973
10	Other taxes—Lake frontage tax	925	925	925
11	Total rates and taxes	2,52,440	2,56,799	2,62,113
	REALIZATIONS UNDER SPECIAL ACTS—			
12	From pounds	187	150	174
14	From licenses for the sale of petroleum	47	50	46
14(a)	From other sources—Grass	75	100	98
15	Total	309	300	318
	REVENUE DERIVED FROM MUNICIPAL PROPERTY AND POWERS APART FROM TAXATION—			
16	Rents of lands, houses, <i>sarais</i> (rest houses), <i>dāk</i> bungalows, etc.	8,141	8,000	8,793
17	Sale proceeds of lands and produce of lands, etc. ...	1,752	2,000	2,817
18	Conservancy receipts (other than taxes and rates) ...	401	150	157
	Carried over	10,294	10,150	11,267
	Carried over	2,52,749	2,57,099	2,62,431

No. of item.	Heads of income.	Actuals of the previous year, 1925-26.	Revised budget estimate for the current year, 1926-27.	Actuals for the current year, 1926-27.
1	2	3	4	5
		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
	<i>Brought forward</i> ...	2,52,749	2,57,099	2,62,431
	<i>Do.</i> ...	10,294	10,150	11,267
19	Fees and revenue from educational institutions ...	8	10	8
20	Fees and revenue from medical institutions ...	2,590	3,200	3,683
21(a)	Markets	6,415	6,000	6,005
21(b)	Slaughter-houses	5,094	5,000	4,708
23	Sale of water --			
	(1) Sale proceeds of water	30,480	28,000	27,881
	(2) Rent of meters	2,612	2,000	2,398
	(3) Other items	2,210	800	1,448
23(a)	Copying fees	185	100	141
23(c)	Registration fees for Jhampanies	359	360	356
23(d)	License fees on dandies, fishing and horses plying for hire	1,498	1,450	1,449
23(e)	Registration fee for dogs	1,731	1,600	1,624
24	Fines under Municipal and other Acts	1,051	1,000	1,120
24(a)	Hydro-electric Receipts	1,48,731	90,300	98,919
	<i>Interest of investments.</i>			
28	Interest on debentures ... ..	...	...	1,425
29	Total	2,13,253	1,49,970	1,62,482
	GRANTS AND CONTRIBUTIONS (FOR GENERAL AND SPECIAL PURPOSES.)			
	<i>From Government.</i>			
31	For Hydro-electric	30,000	...	...
32	For sanitary purposes	6,060	6,060	6,060
39	Total	36,060	6,060	6,060
	<i>Carried over</i>	5,02,062	4,13,129	4,30,923

No. of item.	Heads of income.				Actuals of the previous year, 1925-26.	Revised budget estimate for the current year, 1926-27.	Actuals for the current year, 1926-27.
1	2				3	4	5
					Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
	<i>Brought forward</i> ...				5,02,062	4,13,129	4,30,923
	MISCELLANEOUS—						
40	Recoveries on account of services rendered to private individuals				959	...	120
41	Other items				4,462	3,000	5,922
42	Total ...				5,421	3,000	6,042
43	TOTAL INCOME OF YEAR EXCLUDING OPENING BALANCE				5,07,483	4,16,129	4,36,965
	EXTRAORDINARY AND DEBT:—						
48	<i>Advances.</i> —Permanent				12	20	8
50	Deposits				2,250	2,500	2,165
51	Total ...				2,262	2,520	2,173
52	TOTAL RECEIPTS EXCLUDING OPENING BALANCE ...				5,09,745	4,18,649	4,39,138
53	TOTAL RECEIPTS INCLUDING OPENING BALANCE ...				7,38,451	6,58,619	6,79,108
					Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
54	Incidence of taxation (column 11) per head of population				15 4 6	15 8 8	15 13 10
55	Incidence of income (column 43) per head of population				30 11 7	25 3 1	26 7 3

No. of item.	Heads of expenditure.	Actuals of the previous year, 1925-26.	Revised budget estimate for the current year, 1926-27.	Actuals for the current year, 1926-27.
1	2	3	4	5
		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
	GENERAL ADMINISTRATION AND COLLECTION CHARGES—			
1	General administration (office establishment, inspection, honorary magistrate's establishment, etc.) ...	13,455	15,000	13,560
2	Collection of taxes including bonded warehouses (establishment, purchase of account books and paper, money boxes, repairs to outposts, etc.) ...	2,011	2,400	2,080
3	Collection of tolls on roads and ferries ...	8,838	11,825	9,304
4	Survey of land ...	191	200	25
5	Refunds (other than octroi) ...	238	300	248
	Total ...	24,733	29,725	25,217
	PUBLIC SAFETY—			
8	Fire (establishment, purchase of fire engines, buckets, repairs, etc.) ...	431	50	17
9	Lighting (establishment, purchase of lamps, oil, repairs, etc.) ...	21,000	...	...
	Total ...	21,431	50	17
	PUBLIC HEALTH AND CONVENIENCE—			
12	Water supply. { Capital outlay ...	11,633	5,684	1,274
13		44,174	20,000	19,596
14	Drainage. { Capital outlay ...	102	2,117	1,700
15		195	1,000	152
16	Conservancy (including scavenging and latrine) taxes:—			
	(a) Subordinate establishment ...	47,068	54,000	46,916
	(b) Cost and feed of livestock ...	1,744	2,100	2,425
	(c) Plant and contingencies ...	3,853	4,000	3,931
	Carried over ...	1,08,769	88,901	75,994
	Carried over ...	46,164	29,775	25,234

No. of item.	Heads of expenditure.				Actuals of the previous year, 1925-26.	Revised budget estimate for the current year, 1926-27.	Actuals for the current year, 1926-27.
1	2				3	4	5
					Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
	<i>Brought forward</i> ...				46,164	29,775	25,234
	<i>Do.</i> ...				1,08,769	88,901	75,994
17	Charges on account of health officers and sanitary inspectors ...				8,293	8,900	8,383
18	Hospitals and dispensaries ...				22,805	24,200	21,297
20	Vaccination ...				903	870	718
21	Other sanitary requirements ...				9,492	54,438	7,525
22	Markets and slaughter-houses ...				1,698	4,627	1,091
23	Pounds ...				38	50	40
24	Dak bungalows and sarais ...				64	8,100	41
25	Arboriculture, public gardens and experimental cultivation ...				1,319	1,700	1,067
26	Veterinary charges ...				1,804	2,000	1,587
28	<i>Public works</i> }	Establishment ...		...	6,359	7,000	6,434
29		Buildings ...		...	5,649	7,466	3,324
30		Roads ...		...	15,981	22,900	15,844
31		Stores ...		...	631	1,000	511
31(b)	Hydro-electric maintenance ...				46,957	52,101	46,505
	Total ...				2,30,762	2,84,253	1,90,361
	PUBLIC INSTRUCTION—						
32	Schools and Colleges ...				5,109	6,000	5,296
32(a)	Construction and repair of school buildings ...				2,530	460	303
35	Total ...				7,639	6,400	5,599
	<i>Carried over</i> ...				2,84,565	3,20,428	2,21,194

No. of item.	Heads of expenditure.				Actuals of the previous year, 1925-26.	Revised budget estimate for the current year, 1926-27.	Actuals for the current year, 1926-27.
1	2				3	4	5
					Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
	<i>Brought forward</i> ...				2,84,565	3,20,428	2,21,194
	<i>CONTRIBUTIONS—</i>						
36	For general purpose				2,117	2,117	2,117
	<i>MISCELLANEOUS—</i>						
37	<i>Interests on loan.</i>	{ Interest due on account of Hydro- electric loans			1,52,974	1,45,856	1,45,856
							Includes Rs. 25,589 share of water works.
38	Actual cost of	{ Interest due on account of current year			4,015	23	23
40		{ work done for private individuals ...			807	...	4
41	<i>Other items</i>	{ Printing charges			2,285	3,000	1,968
41 (a)		{ Law charges			20	100	...
41 (b)		{ Provident Fund			4,533	5,000	5,023
41 (c)		{ Government share of Nazul proceeds ...			288	300	440
41 (d)		{ Rents			3,411	3,800	3,747
41 (f)		{ Miscellaneous			5,642	5,500	4,783
43	Total ...				1,73,975	1,63,579	1,61,844
44	TOTAL EXPENDITURE ...				4,60,657	4,86,124	3,85,155
	<i>EXTRAORDINARY AND DEBT—</i>						
45	<i>Investments.—In securities (other than for sinking funds.)</i>				14,839	...	...
48	Re-payment of loans				21,345	1,135	1,135
49	<i>Advances.—Permanent</i>				85	20	20
51	Deposits				1,555	2,500	3,325
52	Total ...				37,824	3,655	4,480
53	TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS ...				4,98,481	4,89,779	3,89,635
	<i>BALANCE—</i>						
55	Actual balances				2,39,970	1,68,840	2,89,473
56	Total ...				2,39,970	1,68,840	2,89,473
57	GRAND TOTAL ...				7,38,451	6,58,619	6,79,108
59	Permanent advance				865	865	865

H. W. GILL,
Secretary.

W. E. J. DOBBS, I. C. S.,
Chairman.

NOTE.—Unashed cheques outstanding at the close of the year amounted to Rs. 2,153-12. Receipts for 31st March 1927 and odd pies credited (vide G. O. No. 1825/XI—10H dated 1st November 1919) on 2nd April 1927 were Rs. 3,977-1-4.

Certified that the balance at the credit of the Naini Tal Municipality in the Naini Tal Treasury was Rs. 2,97,649-13-4 (Rupees two lacs eighty-seven thousand six hundred and forty-nine 13 annas 4 pies only), on the 31st March 1927.

J. S. GROSE,
Treasury Officer.

*Supplementary statement of receipts and charges***Receipts.**

(items Nos. 24(a) and 31(a).)

No. of items.	Heads of Income.	Actuals for the previous year 1925-26.	Revised Budget estimate for 1926-27.	Actuals for the current year 1926-27.
1	2	3	4	5
		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
1	Sale of current for private lighting ...	60,818	62,000	64,594
2	" " " heating power etc. ...	3,340	2,000	2,345
3	Receipts from Bazar contract system ...	8,427	7,000	9,139
4	Meter rent ...	5,455	5,500	5,978
5	Service line cost ...	18,859	8,000	9,041
6	Temporary lights ...	376	400	498
7	Work done for private individuals ...	392	400	336
8	Recoveries against House wiring loan advances ...	4,553	3,000	3,054
9	Miscellaneous Receipts ...	1,247	2,400	3,934
10	Credits—			
	(a) Public street lighting ...	21,000		
	(b) Power for driving water ...	24,764		
	TOTAL ...	1,48,731	90,300	98,919

H. W. GILL,
Secretary.

for the year ending 31st March 1927.

Expenditure.

No. of items.	Heads of Expenditure.			Actuals for the previous year 1925-26.	Revised Budget estimate for 1926-27.	Actuals for the current year 1926-27.
1	2			3	4	5
				Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
1	Work extension	...	...	1,058	5,207	156
2	Maintenance—					
	(a) Fixed establishment	...	...	29,100	27,654	23,010
	(b) Contingencies	...	...	2,616	3,500	3,922
3	Generation—					
	(a) Oil waste and other stores	...	...	1,537	1,000	1,114
	(b) Repairs to Machinery	...	...	250	5,490	5,566
	(c) „ Pipe line	...	...	278	500	283
	(d) „ Buildings	...	...	523	600	534
	(e) „ Head works	...	...	318	400	178
	(f) Balia pump	...	...	41	100	28
4	Sub-station—					
	(a) Oil waste and other stores	...	...	243	200	201
	(b) Repairs to plant	...	...	40	100	22
	(c) „ Buildings	...	...	71	200	31
	(d) Other items...	...	...	.....	50	.....
5	Mains—					
	(a) Line material and repairs including service line material	...	...	5,952	4,000	8,783
	(b) Lamps	...	...	404	1,000	554
	(c) Meter repairs	...	...	123	500	420
	(d) Other items	...	...	38	50	155
	(e) Other stores	...	...	.....	100	115
6	Refunds	...	...	398	450	380
7	Rents	...	...	316	1,000	1,053
8	House wiring and purchase of meter	...	...	3,651	.....	.....
	Total	...	...	46,957	52,101	46,505

W. E. J. DOBBS, I. C. S.,
Chairman.

Form B.

MUNICIPALITY OF NAINI TAL.

Statement of expenditure on original works during the year 1926-27.

Serial number.	Nature of works.	Total amount of estimated cost.	Amount expended in previous year.	Amount allotted in the year under report.	Amount expended during the year of report.	REMARKS.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	Collection of Tolls.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
1	Erecting a temporary Chauki at Baldia Khan.	525	...	525	...	In progress.
	Water Supply Capital Outlay.					
2	Special repairs to water works compound wall.	293	...	293	247	Completed.
3	Construction of a proposed shed at water works compound.	386	...	386	324	do.
4	" " near pump house ...	493	...	493	368	do.
5	Augmentation of water supply ...	15,000	11,633	3,367	335	In progress.
6	Five new stand posts at Talli Tal Bazar.	855	...	855	...	do.
7	One new stand post near Assembly Rooms.	290	...	290	...	Completed at no cost by removal of one isolated stand post to this place.
	Drainage Capital Outlay.					
8	Drainage arrangement of Haldwani Road.	1,617	...	1,617	1,700	In progress.
9	Special repairs to bazar drains.	500	...	500	...	Not taken in hand.
	Hospitals and dispensaries.					
10	Additions and alterations to Crosthwaite Hospital.	4,559	2,577	1,982	506	Completed.
	Other sanitary requirements.					
11	Half cost of a new 12" sewer pipe line...	25,000	...	25,000	619	....
12	Enlarging the Woodbine Lodge water flushed latrine.	672	...	672	185	In progress.
13	Construction of an urinal near Dharm-sala at Malli Tal.	1,049	...	1,049	431	do.
14	Improving the bullock shed at Malli Tal.	314	...	314	252	Completed.
15	Improvements to Talli Tal Motor Parao.	9,025	6,484	2,541	862	In progress.
16	Construction of two cattle sheds at Malli Tal and Talli Tal.	4,334	1,880	2,454	363	One completed.

Form B.—(Continued.)

Serial number.	Nature of works.	Total amount of estimated cost.	Amount expended in previous year.	Amount allotted in the year under report.	Amount expended during the year of report.	REMARKS.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
17	Urinal on the North Mall near Y. M. C. A.	1,043	801	242	...	In progress.
18	Providing a retaining wall for the safety of the above.	250	...	250	144	Completed.
19	Improvements to the Bathing shed at Malli Tal.	1,610	...	1,610	817	do.
20	Railings behind the Bathing shed at Malli Tal.	891	...	891	762	do.
21	Providing additional accommodation for keeping Municipal bullocks.	408	...	408	...	In progress.
22	Manhole at Ramnee Convent premises.	136	...	136	...	In progress.
23	Pipes and fittings in connection to the Bathing shed at Malli Tal.	232	...	232	...	do.
24	Barbers shed at Talli Tal ...	687	...	687	...	do.
25	Special repairs to Dhobi ghat washing tanks.	1,355	...	1,355	1,043	Completed.
26	Dust-bin in Naya bazar ...	300	...	300	...	In progress.
27	Special repairs to the stables at Malli Tal.	658	...	658	...	do.
28	Conversion of Petroleum godown at Talli Tal near bullock shed.	1,000	...	1,000	...	do.
29	Erection of a public latrine at Dhobi ghat.	1,500	...	1,500	...	do.
30	Special repairs to Municipal Line for sweepers and coolies.	2,102	...	2,102	1,387	do.
31	Lake weeding ...	500	...	500	479	Completed.
32	Construction of a sweeper's shed near public latrine at Talli Tal.	229	...	229	181	do.
Market and slaughter-houses.						
33	Dismantling of the old Mutton Market at Talli Tal.	112	...	112	82	do.
34	New Mutton Market at Talli Tal ...	2,825	...	2,825	...	Site still under selection.

Form B.—(Concluded).

Serial number.	Nature of works.	Total amount of estimated cost.	Amount expended in previous year.	Amount allotted in the year under report.	Amount expended during the year of report.	REMARKS.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	Dak Bungalows and Sarais.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
35	Municipal Sarai for travellers ...	8,000	...	8,000	...	...
	P. W. Buildings.					
36	Improvements to the Municipal Lines at Talli Tal near Springdale.	3,473	...	3,473	387	In progress.
37	Painting of Municipal office buildings ...	399	...	399	178	Completed.
38	Replacing the damaged floor area of 2nd storey of the Municipal office.	1,000	406	594	410	do.
	P. W. Roads.					
39	Special repairs to monsoon damages of Municipal Roads.	8,500	...	8,500	1,366	Paid to P. W. D.
40	Improvements to the garden road with fencing between the flats and Municipal office.	305	219	86	27	Completed.
41	Repairs to partition wall between Kaladhungi Road and Municipal Market.	121	...	121	104	do.
	Total ...	1,02,548	24,000	78,548	13,559	

H. W. GILL,
Secretary.

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Chairman

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W. E. J. DOBBS, I.C.S.,
Chairman

Appendix B.

Statement showing the expenditure on, and the condition of, all Schools maintained from, or aided by, the Municipal fund Naini Tal for the year ending 31st March 1927.

1	2	NUMBER OF SCHOLARS ON ROLLS ON THE 31ST MARCH 1927.						EXPENDITURE FROM MUNICIPAL FUNDS.								17	
		Number of schools or training classes.	In English schools.	In training classes.	In vernacular middle classes.	In upper primary classes of vernacular schools.	In lower primary classes of vernacular schools.	In other special schools.	Cost of teachers and a Chaudidar.	Contingencies, etc.	Inspection.	Scholarships.	Contributions to District Board.	Grants-in-aid.	Total recurring expenditure.		Buildings and occasional repairs.
Intra-municipal schools managed by Municipal or District Board.									Rs.	Rs.				Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
Municipal Primary schools	1	—	—	—	34	150	—	3348	248	—	—	—	—	—	3,596	303	
Total	1	—	—	—	34	150	—	3348	248	—	—	—	—	—	3,596	303	
Intra-municipal colleges and schools aided by Municipal Board.																	
Preparatory schools	1	—	—	—	—	103	—	—	—	—	—	—	1000	1,000	—	—	
Total	1	—	—	—	—	103	—	—	—	—	—	—	1000	1,000	—	—	
Total, boys' education	2	—	—	—	34	253	—	3348	248	—	—	—	1000	4,596	—	—	
Girls' schools aided by Municipal Board.																	
Primary schools	2	—	—	—	—	102*	—	—	—	—	—	—	700	700	—	—	*Mission Girls' school Matti Tal ... 26
Total girls' schools	2	—	—	—	—	102	—	—	—	—	—	—	700	700	—	—	Mission Girls' school Talli Tal ... 76
Total expenditure from municipal funds	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3348	248	—	—	—	1700	5,296	303	—	

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Chairman.

APPENDIX

Statement showing the demands, collections, remissions and outstanding balance of Naini Tal

Number.	Name of Municipality.	Tax on houses and lands.			Water Tax.			Sale of water.			Conservancy (including scavenging and latrine taxes)			Conservancy (other than taxes and rates).			Rent of land, houses, Sarais (rest houses) dak bungalows, etc.		
		Demand.		Collections.	Demand.		Collections.	Demand.		Collections.	Demand.		Collections.	Demand.		Collections.	Demand.		Collections.
		Arrears.	Current.		Arrears.	Current.		Arrears.	Current.		Arrears.	Current.		Arrears.	Current.		Arrears.	Current.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
	Naini Tal	1,798	67,420	68,059	1,095	45,570	45,874	906	27,577	27,831	3,978	57,506	58,973	Nil	157	157	777	8,309	8,743*

H. W. GILL,
Secretary.

APPENDIX C.

Showing expenditure on water-works and sewerage and drainage works in the Naini Tal Municipality for the year ending 31st March 1927.

WATER-WORKS.				SEWERAGE AND DRAINAGE WORKS.		
Nature of charges.	Budget allotment.	Amount of expenditure.	Total.	Nature of charges.	Budget allotment.	Amount of expenditure.
1.—Establishment—				2.—Construction—		
(a) Permanent establishment ..		9,874		(a) Sewers ..	25,000	619
(b) Office contingencies ..		301		(b) Surface drains ..	2,117	1,700
				(c) Latrines ..	2,172	185
2.—Pumping—				3.—Repairs—		
(b) Oil and waste		211		(b) Surface drains ..	1,000	152
(c) Other stores ..		99				
5.—Distribution—						
(a) Pipes and fittings ..	20,000	4,158				
(b) Meters ..		2,517				
6.—Repairs—						
(a) To Tanks ..		24				
(b) To buildings and grounds..		190				
(c) To machinery.		1,502				
7.—Water analysis.		720				
TOTAL ..	20,000	19,596		TOTAL ..	30,289	2,656

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Secretary.

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Chairman.

APPENDIX D.

NAINI TAL WATER WORKS.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS DURING THE YEAR 1926-27.

<i>Population.</i>						
By census 1921 in municipality	..	..	..	..	..	16,517
Ditto cantonment	..	..	..	..	..	802
Total						17,319
<i>Cost of works.</i>						
Initial capital cost	..	..	..	Rs.	..	2,47,000
Cost of extensions and improvements to end of previous year	..	..	..	"	..	4,37,237
Ditto on new Pumping plant	..	..	..	"	..	3,54,088
Ditto ditto during the year	..	..	..	"	..	1,274
Total cost of works						10,39,599
<i>Consumption of filtered water.</i>						
During year including cantonment	..	..	..	Gallons	..	38,791,500
Daily average ditto	..	..	..	"	..	1,06,278
Maximum daily average in any one month	..	..	..	"	..	2,34,310
Daily average for cantonment alone	..	..	..	"	..	1,090
Average number of hours filtered water pumped daily	..	..	..	"	..	8.26
<i>Annual charges and receipts.</i>						
Maintenance charges	..	..	..	Rs.	..	19,596
Interest and payment of loan on the new Pumping plant	..	..	..	"	..	25,589
<i>Income from water works.</i>						
Water-rate recovered during year	..	..	..	Rs.	..	45,874
Sale of water and other receipts	..	..	..	"	..	31,727
Total, income						77,601
<i>Number of house connection at end of year.</i>						
For purely domestic purposes	..	..	..	..	..	285
For other purposes	..	..	..	..	..	23
Total						308
Number of connections with meters	..	..	..	..	..	302

NOTE.—1. The yield from H. L. Gravity supply springs was 10,533 thousand gallons approximately.

2. Average number of hours water pumped daily summer months 13.3; other months 6.17.

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Chairman.

Appendix E.

Statement of expenditure from non-recurring grants and loans for the year ending 31st March 1927.

Particulars of loan or grant (authority, purpose and amount).	Amount taken up to the end of last year.	Amount received during the year under report.	Total.	Expenditure up to the end of last year.	Expenditure in the year under report.	Total.	Balance of amount taken up to date left unexpended.	Remarks.
	Rs.		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
Government grant for Hydro-electric scheme and improvement to water supply G. O. No. 1031/XI. 491E dated 4th July 1920 and Board of Public Health's No. 446 B.P.H. 27 of 20th April 1922.	3,50,000							
First loan for the Hydro-electric scheme and improvement to water supply construction of Rs. 9.82 lacs 6 per cent per annum repayable in 30 years G. O. No. 2192/XI. 451E dated 22nd December 1920 and No. 126/XI. 451E of 22nd January 1921.	...	> Nil.	23,02,000	22,97,410	Nil.	22,97,410	4,590	Balance available is on account of House wiring and meter purchase loan.
Second loan for the Hydro-electric scheme and improvement to water supply construction of 9 lacs 7 per cent. per annum now reduced to 6 per cent per annum repayable in 30 years and House wiring and meter purchase loan Rs. 70,000 7 per cent per annum repayable in 10 years.	19,52,000							
Carrying out the preliminary proposals for improvements to Malli Tal and Wilsonganj Bazars G.O. No. 1780/MXI. 513-E dated 16th September 1921.	6,000	Nil.	6,000	3,311	Nil.	3,311	2,689	

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Secretary.

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Chairman.

Note on Water Works 1926-27.

1. I have been in-charge of the electric and steam plants since 5th July 1926, throughout the year.

2. The water supply needle valves to the glands of the pump spindles were adjusted. The plunger glands of the high zone pump were re-bushed and re-placed by new ones. Split washers were put on the screws and the carbon brushes to the slip rings. Combined guage on No. 3 pump adjusted. Connecting rod bushes, bearings and big end brasses of No. 6 pump scraped and refitted. New pins were fitted to No. 5 pump. Brasses scraped and refitted. New spindle fitted to No. 2 pump. New air cocks to No. 4 pump. The bypass valves of No. 1, 2, 3 and 4 pumps changed. The steam plant at the pumping station was not used during the year. The roller foundation of boiler No. 1 was reset and the dumperdoors of boilers No. 1 and 3 renewed. The whole steam plant was overhauled and tested and found to be in good working order.

Repairs to machinery.

3. The pipe line from the Lake Station to the clear water reservoir was scraped. The wastage of water at stand posts and service tanks continued as before. Measures are being taken by me to stop it without a special staff. The exposed pipes were either buried in the ground or covered with grass to protect them against frost during the winter. The local bacteriological analyses reports on the water supply were generally satisfactory. Bad reports were attended to and a pure potable supply was given as far as possible.

Distribution.

4. The following statement shows the receipts and expenditure as compared with the previous year :—

<i>Receipts.</i>	<i>1926-27.</i>	<i>1925-26.</i>
(a) Water tax	Rs. 45,874	Rs. 45,652
(b) Sale of water	„ 27,881	„ 30,480
(c) Rent of meters	„ 2,398	„ 2,612
(d) Other items	„ 1,448	„ 2,210
Total	„ 77,601	„ 80,954
 <i>Expenditure.</i>	 <i>1925-26.</i>	 <i>1926-27</i>
(e) Capital outlay	Rs. 1,274	Rs. 11,633
*(f) Establishment repairs, &c...	„ 19,596	„ 44,174
** (g) Repayment of loan and interest	„ 25,589	„ 23,014
Total	„ 46,459	„ 78,821
Surplus	„ 13,142	„ 2,052

*Exclusive of cost of current used in pumping water due to both the schemes being one now.

**Old Water Works loan was liquidated before the commencement of the year 1926-27. The Rs. 25,589 represents the interest and sinking fund charges on an expenditure of Rs. 3,54,688 on the new Pumping station.

5. A saving of Rs. 137 per month or Rs. 1,644 per annum was effected during the year with effect from 1st August 1926, by a reduction in Water Works Staff, *viz.* 1 jointer on Rs. 18, 1 turncock on Rs. 15, 1 driver on Rs. 20 and 6 coolies on Rs. 14 each per mensem.

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Chairman.

D. D. HEMSWORTH,
Electrical Engineer,
City Board, Naini Tal.

SANITARY REPORT OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF NAINI TAL FOR
THE YEAR ENDING 31ST MARCH 1927.

One copy to be transmitted direct to the Director of Public Health on or before the 30th April.

	ANSWERS.
	Rs.
1. State the total annual income, excluding the opening balance, the opening balance, the receipts from conservancy, and the expenditure on conservancy during the year.	<p>1. Total annual income excluding opening balance 4,86,965</p> <p>Opening balance 2,39,970</p> <p>Receipts from conservancy 59,130</p> <p>Expenditure on conservancy (item 16 of the balance sheet) 58,272</p>
2. State briefly the chief sanitary defects, the remedial measures adopted and new projects under contemplation.	<p>2. (I) Majority of the houses in Bazaars and Wilsongauj area are in the deplorable condition owing to want of space, being old, and unhygienically built.</p> <p>(II) The difficulty of the disposal of refuse owing to hilly nature of the place and unsatisfactory sewerage still exist.</p> <p>(III) There is a shortage of public urinals and latrines.</p> <p>(IV) The out-houses and latrines, being of old type, of many bungalows are also generally found in insanitary condition.</p> <p>(V) Out-houses are utilised for cow-sheds and thus insanitary for the purpose.</p> <p>(VI) The water supply for flushing purposes is inadequate.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>The remedial measures adopted.</i></p> <p>(I) (a) In the existing houses all possible encouragement is given to improve them on sanitary basis.</p> <p>(b) A new scheme for building more sanitary houses in Talli Tal and Malli Tal is still under the consideration of the Board and the Government.</p> <p>(II) Refuse carts and incinerators are being utilised for the disposal of rubbish to the fullest extent and where otherwise dumping is impossible open burning is resorted to on a larger scale.</p> <p>The sewerage improvement question has been placed in the hands of the Government for financial help. The existing sewer which is of small diameter, has been thoroughly scraped, cleaned and flushed regularly. Many private houses are going to be joined with the main sewer as soon as the bigger sewer pipe line is laid.</p> <p>(III) One latrine is under construction and an old one is being extended.</p> <p>(IV) The attention of the persons concerned is drawn and steps are taken where necessary.</p> <p>(V) The condition is improved either by suggestions or notices.</p> <p>(VI) The attention of the Superintendent water works has been drawn to this.</p>

	ANSWERS.
<p>3. State briefly the sanitary works executed or in progress during the year including :—</p> <p>(a) Sewage and drainage—</p> <p>(1) Number of house connections for sullage and sewage.</p> <p>(2) Improvements to sewage or drainage.</p> <p>(b) Improvements to water supply with the number of new house connections.</p> <p>(c) Improvements to conservancy, namely—Number of public and private water-borne latrines.</p> <p>(d) Improvements to site, and</p> <p>(e) Any other improvements that may have been effected.</p> <p>4. How the refuse and night-soil are removed and disposed of?</p> <p>(a) The places appointed under section 273.</p> <p>(b) The number and pattern of public latrine seats for males and females in working order.</p> <p>(c) The number and pattern of urinals and dustbins.</p> <p>(d) The number and pattern of private latrines in use, and</p> <p>(e) Total number of cesspits approximate amount of sullage per day and the number of carts used for removal.</p>	<p>3.</p> <p>(a) Construction of a cattle-shed.</p> <p>(b) Construction of a latrine near Nanda Devi Temple.</p> <p>(c) Improvement to bathing-shed Malli Tal.</p> <p>(a) (1) Nil.</p> <p>(2) Glazed pine drain of 579 feet was laid alongside the Haldwani Road.</p> <p>(b) (1) Erection of a well near the lake Engine house for augmentation of water supply.</p> <p>(2) Erection of new water stand post near Assembly Rooms.</p> <p>(3) Eighteen new house connections have been made during the year.</p> <p>(c) One public water borne latrine extended.</p> <p>(d) (1) Improvement to Talli Tal Motor Parao.</p> <p>(2) Construction of a barber-shed Talli Tal.</p> <p>(3) Fencing along various roads in the station.</p> <p>(e) (1) Improvements to the Municipal Line Talli Tal.</p> <p>(2) Improvements to the Municipal Office.</p> <p>(3) Weeding of the lake.</p> <p>4. The refuse is partly carted away and thrown into khuds outside the inhabited area, and partly incinerated and dumped. Night-soil is carried to pail depots in closed buckets and thence ultimately disposed of at Ransi Sewage Farm.</p> <p>(a) There are eight pail depots where night-soil is disposed of, and there are ten incinerators of new design and 12 of old pattern where rubbish is burnt.</p> <p>(b) 87 male seats water flushed.</p> <p>85 „ „ Gumla type.</p> <p>22 female seats water flushed.</p> <p>8 „ „ Gumla type.</p> <p>(c) There are nine urinals, seven of them of no special type while two urinals are water borne. The dustbins are of open masonry type excepting four which are of new design.</p> <p>(d) 950 latrines are of Kadamocha type. There are four water flushed latrines.</p> <p>(e) Almost every latrine has cesspits for its sullage. These cesspits are emptied by buckets and the sullage is carried to the pail depots. The amount of sullage is not known.</p>

	ANSWERS.	
5. State the number of notices issued under sections 186, 192, 211, 245, 267, 268, 269, 276, 278 and 284 and the number complied with under each section,	5. Section No. 192 One " " 267 400 (80 per cent. complied with).	1.
6. State if bye-laws have been made under the following heads of section 298, A, B, C, D, E, (e), F, G, I and J (a), (b), (d).	6. Nil.	
7. State the number of cases prosecuted under the Adulteration of Food and Drugs Acts and the results,	7. The total number of samples of food-stuff were taken as follows for analyses, Milk 17. Ghee 6. Oocogam 1. Mustard oil 1. Butter 2. Seven cases of milk were found adulterated and prosecuted and fined Rs. 204.	
8. Give a brief report on the— (a) general health of people, (b) particularly of any outbreak of epidemic disease during the year, with date of commencement and termination, the methods adopted to control the epidemic, and arrangements for isolation of infectious cases, (c) the number of children born and the number of deaths under one year of age from 1st January to 31st December, and (d) the areas which record the highest death rates.	8. (a) The general health of the people was very good. (b) There was a small outbreak of smallpox in Talli Tal and Malli Tal. The origin was due to the imported cases concealed in the bazaar houses. Searches were made from house to house and the cases were isolated to Manora Epidemic Hospital and treated there. (c) The number of children born was 358 and the number of deaths under one year of age 62. (d) Talli Tal and Malli Tal. <i>General Remarks.</i> The Assistant Director Lt.-Col. W. A. Mearns, M.B.D.P.H. I. M. S. made the sanitary inspection of the Naini Tal Municipality during the year. His recommendations for improvement were dealt with both by the Public Health Committee and the Board and necessary actions were and are being taken on them. The deficiency of pure water which occurred during the season time, was promptly met by ample supply of chlorinated water so much so that the public was supplied with sufficient quantity of water to meet all its want, as in the ordinary course of circumstances. The sanitary condition of the city was kept up to the very high standard, and all complaints were promptly attended to.	

ANSWERS.

Bungalow cleaning. During the year almost all the compounds of the bungalows were thoroughly cleaned twice in accordance to the Board's resolution. Over and above this extra help was given where necessary. It was a tremendous task in itself on account of the area it covered, desire of the owners and tenants to be satisfied with their ever increasing demand for the Municipal sweepers to clean the compounds. Everywhere the signatures were obtained that the work was done to the satisfaction of the owners and tenants. The removal of over 100 tons of lake weeds was done by the sweeper staff.

Milk supply. Every attention was paid to improve the milk supply of the town. Constant watch over the Gwalas and Halwais was kept. Seventeen samples were taken to be sent to the Government Analyst. Seven were found adulterated and prosecuted and fined Rs. 204 by the Court.

Inspection of Schools and Colleges. During the year all the schools and colleges were inspected. The number of scholars inspected was 2287 and all were found vaccinated. No special disease was noticed in them. The attention of the masters in the Indian schools was drawn for more cleanliness in pupils. Total number of vaccination performed during the year was 5,366.

Mid-wife. The work of the lady doctor appointed by the Municipality was much more appreciated during the year than her first year. She confined 24 cases and treated 577 Gynaecological cases. Her presence was a great boon to the poor houses of the Municipality.

The Health Department among its multifarious duties also did its best in destroying the rabid and stray dogs throughout the year, disposing of the dead bodies of the paupers and cattle and removing the infectious patients to the Manora Epidemic Hospital through its own staff in the absence of proper dandiwalas.

W. E. J. DOBBS, I. C. S.,

Chairman.

21st April 1927.

K. L. KAPUR, CAPT., D. P. H.

Medical Officer of Health,

City Board, NAINI TAL.

Abstract of Assembly Rooms Account for the year ending 31st March 1927.

Receipts.	Amount.	Total.	Expenditure.	Amount.	Total.
	Rs.	Rs.		Rs.	
By balance in hand on 1st April 1926		4,666	Pay of establishment	500	
By rent of library for 1925 in part	248		Fire policy	377	
By rent of central hall and north wing for 1926-1927	1,450		Annual repairs	419	
By rent of Palace cinema from Mr. C. Wyatt Miles for the season 1924 in part	50		Special repairs including cabin	3,697	
By rent of rooms Ayarpatta wing for the second half year 1925 and the whole year 1926	900		Dividend on debentures for the year 1923	2,100	
By rent from Messrs. Madan Theatre Co of the Theatrical hall for the year 1926	3,600		Govt: Land Revenue	2	
By sale price of second-hand iron sheets and furniture	222	6,470	Uniform for orderly	22	7,117
			Balance on 31st March 1927		4,019
TOTAL		11,136	TOTAL		11,136

H. W. GILL,
Secretary.

W. E. J. DOBBS, I. C. S.,
Chairman.

Hydro-electric Annual Report 1926-27.

Generating station.—The stator coils of No. 3 machine were burnt out by lightning during the year under report. A new voltage regulator has been fitted and is now working satisfactorily. Before I took over charge there were certain defects in the machinery, these have now been rectified and the plant is working in a most satisfactory condition.

Pipe line head works:—

The pipe line is in good order. Ballia Ravine pump had to be dismantled owing to extension of cart road and will be erected as soon as the site is cleared by the P. W. D.

Distribution system:—

The system is working satisfactorily. The following improvements and alterations were made during the year under report:—

- (1) All the distribution poles were numbered.
- (2) 12 iron poles, brackets, &c. were removed from the distribution lines with the result that 49 lights were reduced and the material to the value of Rs. 4,803 has been brought into stock. 39 sal poles were replaced by iron ones.
- (3) Since I took over charge, 37 connections on meter system, 21 connection on contract system, and 9 connections for heating and cooking including one motor at Pailander Smith College were connected. A certain number of heating, cooking appliances and hot water taps were purchased as samples to encourage prospective power consumers for heating and cooking. It is hoped that the hot water taps will be used by the Schools and hotels and other consumers. Endeavours are being made to increase the number of heating and cooking consumers to utilize the surplus energy at off peak hours. 18 radiators and 3 electric water taps have been sold.

As the question of extension of the area of supply to Haldwani &c. was dropped last year, I would strongly recommend the extension of the area of supply to Haldwani and Ranikhet provided it works out to be a profitable one, and would suggest the Board to re-open the question of extension and move the Government for a loan.

General.—Since I took over charge a saving of Rs. 396 per month was involved by reducing the staff which was in excess.

Although I have reduced the establishment, more work and better work has been carried out, and I am very pleased with the general condition of the departments under my control. B. Sangram Singh, Superintendent, Electric Works, Guman Singh, Head Linesman, Babu Bishember Dayal, Overseer, Babu Deb Singh and Babu Shib Datt on the staff have worked exceptionally well and deserve the utmost credit.

W. E. J. DOBBS, I. C. S.,
Chairman.

D. D. HEMSWORTH,
Electrical Engineer,
City Board, NAINI TAL.

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FROM

N. C. STIFFE, ESQR., O. B. E., I. C. S.,

COMMISSIONER,

Kumaon Division.

TO

THE CHAIRMAN,

CITY BOARD,

Naini Tal.

Dated, Naini Tal, July 10th, 1926.

SIR,

I have the honour to acknowledge your 1797 of the 17th of June, being the annual report of the City Board.

2. I note with great pleasure the advanced state of the collections, which is in pleasant contrast to the prevailing customs of the day.

3. *Paragraph 6. Item No. 30.*—I think that the Board is entitled to claim that in spite of the diminution of the expenditure on repairs to roads, the roads are in fact in good condition. Your statement of the finance of the hydro-electric scheme is clear, and brings together the various orders of Government on the subject. I agree with you that the Committee appointed by Government took what was probably an optimistic view. If the present habit of taking leave home, instead of in the hills, continues, it seems very doubtful whether in the future the Board will be able to rely on the same measure of support in the matter of payments for electric light and water, as it has in the past, future development seems to be even more uncertain. I have already forwarded your application for assistance with the sewer to the Board of Public Health, and have stated my opinion that without assistance the Board will be unable to take up this very necessary work. Nobody knows better than you and myself the necessity for an extension of the water borne carriage of sewage, especially in the bazars. This you will remember is a point upon which I laid stress in reporting to Government on the present housing conditions in Naini Tal, but to that letter I have so far received no reply.

4. *Paragraph 15.*—You will of course be aware that since writing your report Government have passed orders concerning the remission of the penal interest, and concerning the remission of the old water works loan.

5. *Paragraph 17.*—I see that your water supply can now more than meet the requirements of the station; it would be worth investigating the possibility of using part of this surplus for occasional, though not regular, flushing of certain drains in times of draught: such relief, if it could have been arranged, would have been greatly appreciated in and near Malli Tal, in the course of the last months.

6. *Paragraph 18.*—You allude to the question of a sewage farm, but I see that no work is to be undertaken at the moment. I presume that with your experience of the hills you have considered who the tenants of this farm are to be; as it is not unknown to you that the hill man usually displays certain prejudices in this matter which are not found to the same extent in the plains.

I may be prejudiced in the matter of Town Improvement Trusts, but I have no manner of doubt that this scheme will have to be revived in the future; but it is of no use even considering it unless ample capital is provided. We escaped the smallpox scare very lightly in the current year, but I fail to see how we can hope to escape a really heavy epidemic in the future; and this will probably bring the proposal to a head.

I confess that I have not very much hope of the success of the efforts of Messrs. Govin & Co. in the matter of dairy farm, seeing the reckless way in which that firm has embarked on the project without apparently any previous consideration of the questions either of water supply or of grazing and fodder; but I have lately been in consultation with an Aligarh firm, that is trying to work out a business like scheme in the Tarai and Bhabar, which seems to offer more hopes of success.

The Crosthwaite hospital will undoubtedly be a burden on the finances of the Board, but it is a burden which I think was rightly undertaken. It is certainly hard on the Board that the building should have been made over in such bad condition as to require special repairs; and I hope that in due course Government may feel moved to give some assistance in the matter.

7. I am glad to note your remarks on the Veterinary hospital and the good work done thereby. I have personally heard nothing but praise of the institution.

8. The Board appears to be making adequate efforts in the matter of education, and I have no comment to make on this branch of the Board's work.

9. The accounts of the Assembly Rooms show promise for the future, and now that the Board has a controlling interest in the matter, it appears possible that the institution may serve the community as it ought, without being a burden on the Board's finances.

10. I am glad to see that expert opinion is being invited on the question of the Municipal forests. There is no doubt that a few years ago the settlement was over-wooded, and fellings were necessary; but it is only the Forest officers acting in consultation with the Engineer, who can say exactly what ought to be done.

11. I join in your regret at the death of the late Mr. H. B. Chantrey, and I think that we all realise that he attained considerable success in the inauguration of the hydro-electric scheme. I understand that since his death you have received great assistance from Mr. Warren, and should like to place on record my gratitude for his volunteer services. The thanks of the public are also due to Mr. Gill for the work which he gives to the Board, and I have noted your appreciation of the work of the other members and servants of the Board, whom you have brought to special notice.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

N. C. STIFFE,

COMMISSIONER,

Kumaon Division.

No. 1797/I-3.

FROM

J. M. CLAY, ESQR., C.I.E., O.B.E., I.C.S.,

DEPUTY COMMISSIONER AND CHAIRMAN, CITY BOARD,

Naini Tal.

TO

THE COMMISSIONER,

KUMAON DIVISION,

Naini Tal.

Dated, Naini Tal, the 17th June 1926.

Sir,

I have the honour to submit the Annual Administration Report of the Naini Tal Municipality for the year ending 31st March 1926, with the statements and appendices, passed by the Board's special resolution No. 7 dated 29th April 1926.

2. There was no change in the constitution of the Board during the year. I was Chairman throughout the year and Captain Corbett and Rai Sahib L. Jai Lal Sah continued to act as Senior and Junior Vice-Chairmen respectively.

Constitution.

Mr. C. L. Griffin, I. C. S., Joint Magistrate, was transferred on 5th November 1925 and his seat remained vacant till 7th April 1926, when Captain E. de V. Moss, I. C. S., joined the district. Mr. M. B. Hatfield, District Engineer, was a member of the Board up to 29th September 1925 and Mr. Gadsby, the Executive Engineer, held charge till 2nd November 1925. Mr. Paddison then took over but had to proceed on leave and was succeeded by Mr. W. Sinclair on 3rd December. The latter was also transferred and Mr. S. G. Edgar, the present Executive Engineer, Kumaon Division, has been a member of the Board since 21st December 1925.

3. Eleven meetings of the Board were held during the year. One of these proved abortive for want of a quorum and was held as an adjourned meeting on a subsequent date. The number of attendances are shown below :—

Ex-officio Chairman:

Mr. J. M. Clay 7

Nominated members:

Mr. M. B. Hatfield 4

Mr. R. Gadsby 1

Mr. S. G. Edgar 1

Mr. C. L. Griffin, Joint Magistrate 5

Mr. R. C. Busher, M. A. 10

Khan Sahib Sheikh Abdul Qaiyum 8

Captain J. Corbett 2

Elected members:

Rai Sahib L. Jai Lal Sah 11

L. Durga Sah Kumaryan 5

L. Indra Lal Sah 11

L. Keshi Sah 10

Dr. M. A. Shah 6

L. Kishori Lal Sah 8

The average attendance of official and non-official members remained practically the same as last year.

4. The bulk of the routine work was, as usual, disposed of by Sub-Committees which held meetings as below :—

Public Works	11
Public Health	6
Finance	9
Toll and Taxes	9
Education	5

The Assessment Committee met several times but the Market Committee met only once.

Income excluding
Hydro-electric.

5. The income for the year, excluding Hydro-Electric receipts and Government grants, amounted to Rs. 3,24,954 as compared with Rs. 3,04,099 in 1924-25, thus showing an increase of Rs. 20,855 or 6.9 per cent. The increase is spread over the following heads :—

Item No. 3. Tax on the annual value of buildings and lands.—The demand for the year was Rs. 69,437 including arrears, as against Rs. 66,353 in the previous year. The increase is due to assessments on several new buildings and assessment of the tax for the first time on the Commissioner's and Deputy Commissioner's offices. In the past these offices, which also included Courts, were not assessed to house-tax owing to a misapprehension. The matter was brought to notice by the Examiner of Local Fund Accounts and the Government agreed with him that the portions of these buildings occupied by offices were subject to the tax. Out of the total demand for the year under report a sum of Rs. 47 was remitted and Rs. 67,588 or 97.2 per cent. were collected leaving a balance of Rs. 1,802 of which Rs. 1,310 have been realized since the close of the year. The remainder is due by landlords against whom coercive processes have been issued.

Item No. 6. Tolls.—Under this head there is an increase of Rs. 5,943 or 8.2 per cent. This increase is partly due to better traffic, which fell off in the previous year owing to breaks in the road caused by slips, and partly to the transfer of the toll bar, under Government Notification No. 259/XX-205 dated 26th January 1926, to Baldia Khan at the 6th mile stone on the Kathgodam motor road, and the reduction of the toll on lorry and bus passengers from Rs. 2 to Re. 1 per passenger. The transfer was made on the 3rd February 1926 and from that date to the end of the year a sum of Rs. 2,000 was recovered from the passengers who, had the toll bar not been removed and the toll reduced, would have walked in from the old toll limit, which is about a mile by a short cut from the toll barrier, and thus evaded payment of toll. The public complain that the toll of Rs. 2 on each riding pony, dandy and motor car passenger is very high; but the reduction of this rate is now out of the question owing to the burden thrown on municipal funds in meeting the deficit income under Hydro-electric.

Item No. 7. Water Tax.—The increase under this head of Rs. 1,612 or nearly 4 per cent., is due to the assessment of the tax on several new buildings. Including arrears the demand for the year amounted to Rs. 46,811; of this Rs. 65 were remitted and Rs. 45,652 or 97.5 per cent. collected leaving a balance of Rs. 1,094 of which Rs. 927 have been collected since the close of the year.

Item No. 9. Scavenging Tax.—The increase of Rs. 2,841 or 5 per cent. is due to greater efforts made to collect the demand within the year.

Item No. 20. Fees and revenue from Medical Institutions.—The increase of Rs. 1,654 is due to income derived by the Crosthwaite Hospital from public donations and renting of private wards. This hospital was transferred to the control of the Municipal Board with effect from 1st December 1924.

Item No. 23 (1). Sale proceeds of water.—Increase of Rs 3,683 or 13·8 per cent. is due partly to larger sale of water for building purposes and partly to the extension of metered connections.

The variations under other heads call for no special comment.

The total receipts of the year, including the opening balance and Government grants, amounted to Rs. 5,04,237.

6. The total disbursements, excluding Hydro-electric, amounted to Rs. 2,98,426 as against Rs. 2,66 363 in the previous year or an increase of Rs. 32,127.

Disbursements
excluding Hydro-
electric.

The increases which call for special comment are detailed below:—

Item No. 12. Water Supply—Capital Outlay.—The scheme to supplement the water supply from the lake by installing a motor pump at the lake side and a Chloronome water sterilising plant at the clear water reservoir is responsible for the increase of Rs. 9,614 under this head.

Item No. 16 (1). Conservancy—Subordinate Staff.—The increase of Rs. 8,382 is due to the revision of the scavenging establishment with effect from 1st April 1925. The staff was found to be insufficient to carry out its work.

Item No. 18. Hospitals and Dispensaries.—The increase of Rs. 16,979 is partly due to the cost of maintenance of the Crosthwaite Hospital for the whole year as against four months in the previous year, and partly to cost of additions and alterations to the hospital buildings and of improvements to the quarters of the staff.

Item No. 21. Other Sanitary requirements.—The increase of Rs. 6,831 is mainly due to improvements carried out at the Talli Tal motor parao and construction of a cattle-shed at Malli Tal.

Item No. 41 (b). Provident Fund.—The increase of Rs. 2,983 is due to a larger sum being added to the fund on account of bonuses than in the previous year, and to the Board's contribution being increased from half an anna to nine pies in the rupee.

Other heads showing increases call for no special comment.

Item No. 30. Public Works—Roads.—The decrease under this head amounting to Rs. 32,125 is the only one which calls for notice. In the previous year a sum of Rs. 28,087 was spent on the Talli Tal parao and Rs. 4,500 on monsoon repairs, while in the year under report only minor works were carried out.

The sum of Rs. 14,839 shown against *item No. 45—Investment* represents the value of 209 Assembly Rooms debentures purchased by the Board at the rate of Rs. 71 per debenture.

The year closed with a balance of Rs. 2,05,687 as against Rs. 1,73,223 at the close of 1924-25 which is made up of the following items:—

Incomplete works	Rs. 69,803
Actual revenue	1,35,884

Hydro-electric income.

7. The year opened with a balance of Rs. 55,483 which was made up of the following items :—

Balance of house wiring loan ..	Rs. 6,693
Balance of Hydro-electric loan ..	40,090
Actual revenue ..	8,700
Total ..	55,483

Excluding the Government grant of Rs. 30,000, the receipts during the year amounted to Rs. 1,48,731 as against Rs. 1,52,638 in the previous year; but if from the latter figure is excluded the amount refunded by the Public Health Department *viz* Rs. 35,788, the actual receipts of the past year amounted to Rs. 1,16,850. There was thus an increase of Rs. 31,881 in the year under report. More than half of this increase, *viz* Rs. 18,350 represents cost of service line connections. Current for light and power accounts for Rs. 9,342, meter rent Rs. 1,198 and power for pumping water Rs. 4,448.

The actual income from current supplied for lighting and heating amounted to Rs. 72,585 as against Rs. 63,243 in the previous year, the increase of Rs. 9,342 being due to an increase in the number of house and shop connections. Some of the Government offices have been connected and it is understood that an electric installation in the Secretariat Clerks' quarters in Sleepy Hollow is under consideration.

The total income, including the Government grant of Rs. 30,000 (which will be discontinued from the current year), and the opening balance of Rs. 55,483 amounted to Rs. 2,34,214.

Hydro-electric expenditure.

8. The expenditure amounted to Rs. 46,957 as against Rs. 72,290 in the previous year showing a decrease of Rs. 25,333. Details are given in the supplementary statement appended to statement No. 1. To this expenditure should be added the sum of Rs. 1,52,974 on account of interest and sinking fund charges making a total of Rs. 1,99,931 against receipts, including opening balance, of Rs. 2,34,214, leaving a balance of Rs. 34,283 which is made of:—

Balance house wiring loan ..	Rs. 4,590
Actual revenue ..	29,693
Total ..	34,283

The second item actually represents the Government grant.

Interest and sinking fund charges on the second loan of Rs. 9,00,000 at 7 per cent. interest fell due in the year under report and is included in the sum of Rs. 1,52,974 referred to above.

9. The Committee, under the Chairmanship of Mr. A. W. Pim, appointed to look into the finances of the Hydro-electric department, held several meetings during the year. It came to the conclusion that the Hydro-electric and water works should be treated as a single scheme, and that municipal funds proper should meet the interest and sinking fund charges on half the expenditure (Rs. 3,54,100 incurred on the new pump house, and also the loss incurred every year in the past on lighting and the cost of coal. This was fixed at Rs. 53,500. At the same time it made the following recommendations for the Board's assistance:—

(1) that the old water works loan should be cancelled with effect from the year 1926-27;

(2) that the rate of interest on the second loan of Rs. 9,00,000 should be reduced from 7 to 6 per cent. with effect from the year 1925-26; provided that the Municipal Board agree that the settlement so made is final, and that the Board will have no further claim to assistance in the working of the Hydro-electric scheme; and

(3) that the question of giving special assistance to the Municipal Board in connection with the new schemes to which it is committed and which it is very desirable for it to carry out in the interest of the general public, should be favourably considered.

The Government agreed with the committee that the Board must be helped and that with careful management the Board should be able to stabilize its financial position, if assisted to the extent recommended by the committee, and enquired whether the Board accepted the first two recommendations about the remission of the old water works loan and the reduction in the rate of interest as a final settlement, and would make no further claim to assistance in the working of the Hydro-electric scheme. As regards the third recommendation the Government stated that it would give no undertaking but would keep the recommendation in view.

10. The Board accepted the first recommendation without any hesitation; but as regards the second it replied that it had no alternative but to accept it so far as the scheme stood at present, and reiterated the remarks of the representatives of the Board on the committee *viz.* that, in case of heavy losses due to breakdowns or unforeseen causes, relief to the Municipality should not be refused by the Government. At the same time the Board considered that more liberal treatment should have been meted out to it considering its unsound financial position caused by the introduction of the Hydro-electric scheme.

The Government in reply sanctioned the reduction of the rate of interest on the second loan of Rs. 9 lacs from 7 to 6 per cent. per annum with effect from the year 1925-26 and stated that orders as regards the remission of the old water works loan would be issued if and when the demand was voted by the Legislative Council. Orders have not yet been received.

11. If in the year under report the recommendation of the Committee to treat the Hydro-electric and Water works as a single scheme had been followed the financial position would have been as under:—

<i>Receipts.</i>		<i>Expenditure.</i>	
	Rs.		Rs.
Sale of current ..	72,961	Water maintenance ..	19,410
Water tax ..	45,652	Hydro-electric ..	42,248
Other water receipts ..	30,480	Loan charges (after reducing interest on second loan from 7 to 6 per cent.) ..	1,36,006
Total ..	1,49,093		
Deficit ..	48,571		
Total ..	1,97,664	Total ..	1,97,664

The instalment of the old water works loan of Rs. 23,000 recommended for remission is not included in the expenditure figures.

12. Assuming for the sake of argument that the Committee's estimate of receipts in 1929-30 is reached, *viz.* Rs. 1,57,000 and the expenditure does not rise above that of 1925-26, *viz.* Rs. 1,98,000 the deficit will amount to Rs. 42,000. This will save municipal funds proper a sum of (Rs. 53,500—Rs. 42,000) Rs. 11,500.

It is very doubtful, however, whether the Cantonments will take current at all, and the Board has heard nothing about Government House and its irrigation pump-house being connected. Omitting these items the Board can hardly look forward to a higher income than Rs. 1,50,000. House and water taxes have now reached the maximum and in fact are likely to fall in the future owing to the grant of free passages to Government servants going on leave. In the current year income under these heads, as well as that from sale of electric current, will fall considerably, a large number of houses not having been rented. If present conditions continue, the Board can hope for little if any improvement in the future.

13. The Hydro-electric and Water works as a combined scheme cannot possibly pay its way without assistance from municipal funds proper. At present this assistance is fixed at Rs. 53,500 per annum. It is probable that in the current year (1926-27), owing to the large number of houses lying vacant, the assistance from municipal funds will have to be considerably increased. The Board's finances, it is feared, will be crippled to such an extent that it will not be in a position to take in hand the work of laying a new sewer pipe line from the club boat house to Talli Tal, estimated by the Public Health Department to cost Rs. 1,31,000. This pipe line is reported to be a necessity, but unless the Board is given substantial assistance by Government the project will have to be dropped.

Government Grants.

14. The grants received from Government during the year under report were the same as in the previous year, *viz.* Rs. 36,060. This includes Rs. 30,000 being the last instalment of the grant for Hydro-electric promised in G. O. No. 1948/XX-451-E dated 7/8th September 1922, the balance, Rs. 6,060, being made up of the following annual recurring grants :—

(a) For general sanitary purposes ..	Rs. 5,000
(b) Towards the pay of Sanitary Inspectors ..	Rs. 1,060

No orders have yet been received regarding the grant of Rs. 8,472, applied for in the year 1923-24, to meet the cost of special repairs to the slip at Crag Ellachie and consequently the work has not been taken in hand.

The Board of Public Health was approached for a grant of Rs. 7,500 to meet half the cost of the scheme to supplement the water supply from the lake by installing a motor pump at the lake side and a chloronome water sterilizing plant at the water works reservoir, but the project has been returned for further particulars.

Loans.

15. The yearly instalments of the loans amounted to Rs. 1,78,334 as detailed below :—

	Rs.
1. Old water works loan	23,014
2. Market loan	2,346
3. First Hydro-electric loan of Rs. 9.82 lacs at 6 per cent. per annum	70,966
4. Second Hydro-electric loan of Rs. 9 lacs at 7 per cent. per annum	72,158
5. Meter purchase and house wiring loan at 7 per cent. per annum	9,850
Total	1,78,334

The first instalment of Rs. 36,079 on the second Hydro-electric loan of Rs. 9 lacs fell due on 1st July 1925. As the Board had not sufficient funds to meet this, Government was moved to postpone the repayment of this loan until orders were passed on the recommendations of the Committee appointed to enquire into the financial results of the Hydro-electric scheme, but after a lapse of over five months, the Government in G. O. No. 3628/XI-451 dated 28th November 1925, refused to consider the request and the Board paid the instalment immediately on receipt of these orders. As a result of this delay the Accountant-General charged the Board a sum of Rs. 1,184-7-9 as penal interest: the Government has been moved to remit this amount and its orders are awaited.

As already stated in para. 10 above, the rate of interest on this loan has been reduced from 7 to 6 per cent. per annum from 1st April 1925 thus reducing the half-yearly instalments from Rs. 36,079 to Rs. 32,520.

Orders regarding the remission of the old water works loan are awaited. If this is sanctioned the Board will benefit to the extent of Rs. 23,014 from the current year for a period of 4 years.

The balance of the market loan amounting to Rs. 1,157-7-9 will be liquidated in the current year.

16. The amount allotted for original works and special repairs during the year was Rs. 1,13,611 as detailed in Form B but a sum of Rs. 34,240 only was spent. For works in progress or not taken up, a sum of Rs. 69,803 is being carried forward to the current year. Of the works carried out the most important were (1) augmentation of the water supply; improvements to the motor parao, passenger, dandi and pony-sheds, and construction of a cattle-shed in the Malli Tal cart parao, and a urinal on the Mall road near the Y. M. C. A. Additions have also been made to the present Municipal office building to accommodate the offices of the Overseer and Medical Officer of Health.

Original Works
Form B.

17. The receipts of the year amounted to Rs. 80,954 and the expenditure to Rs. 67,188 which includes Rs. 23,014 on account of the Water works loan but excludes Rs. 11,633 spent on capital outlay. There was a surplus of Rs. 13,766 as against Rs. 9,248 in the year previous. If the interest and sinking fund charges on the capital outlay on the electric pumping station which amount approximately to Rs. 27,000 are taken into account the year's working shows a deficit of Rs. 13,234 in addition to Rs. 11,633 spent on the scheme for the augmentation of water supply or a total deficit of Rs. 24,867.

Water Works.

The lake side motor pump was brought into use from the 1st May last and is pumping water to the reservoir at the rate of 6500 gallons per hour. The spring is giving about 1,90,000 gallons per day; the two together can supply more than the requirements of the station.

The consumption of pumped water increased from 30 million gallons in the previous year to 36 millions in the year of report. The decrease in the rain fall which was only 109 inches as against 122 inches in 1924-25 is responsible for this increase.

A report on the working of the water works is appended to this report.

18. During the year the health of the settlement was very good. The number of cases isolated and treated at the Manora Epidemic Hospital was 17. Of these one was of pneumonia, 11 of smallpox, 4 of chicken-pox and one of measles as against 9 of smallpox and 4 of chicken-pox in the previous year. There was no epidemic of any kind. A sum of Rs. 1,297 was spent on the maintenance of the epidemic hospital as against Rs. 999 in 1924-25. One-fourth of this expenditure is met by the District Board.

Sanitation.

Three hundred and fifty-four births and 251 deaths were registered during the year as against 529 births and 224 deaths in the year previous. The deaths among children under one year of age were 62 as against 59 in the previous year.

The main sewer was properly scraped and cleaned in the winter and gave no trouble during the season. The Superintending Engineer, Public Health Department, was asked to prepare a preliminary project for replacing the existing sewer between the club boat house and Talli Tal. The Public Health Department has however prepared an estimate of the cost of replacing the old sewer throughout its length by pipes of a higher diameter at Rs. 2,47,426 and recommends that the portion from the club boat house to Talli Tal the cost of which would amount to Rs. 1,30,976 be taken up forthwith. There is a provision of Rs. 25,000 only in the budget and the Board of Public Health will be approached to meet the balance, as the Board's funds are insufficient to admit of any further sum being given towards the scheme. The project will be considered by the Board in due course.

No inspection note on the sanitation of the station by the officers of the Public Health Department was received during the year. Further action taken on Major Murison and Capt. Clyde's inspection notes is detailed below :—

As recommended by the Director of Public Health the work of supplementing the water supply by the installation of a motor pump in a filtration well by the side of the lake and the installation of a Paterson Chlorinating Plant to sterilize the water, was carried out during the year. The project received from the Public Health Department for laying a new 12" main sewer on the Mall road is under consideration.

No connection was made during the year but an application has been received from the proprietor of "Commercial buildings" to connect their drainage with the main sewer which is under consideration.

A forecast for preparing plots &c. for cultivation in the sewage farm, amounting to Rs. 25,000, has been received from the Public Health Department. The Superintending Engineer is, however, of the opinion that unless the medical authorities consider that danger exists money should not be spent on this work at present.

As stated last year it was decided not to revive the question of the Town Improvement Trust, but it is proposed to dismantle the present poultry-sheds, pony-serai, municipal godown, charcoal godown, pedlars stalls and cow-sheds in the Malli Tal bazaar and to lease out plots to *bona fide* residents of Naini Tal for building houses on a standard design. Government has kindly permitted the Board to appropriate the premia which will be obtained from the lease of these sites and to utilize the same for the erection of buildings on other sites to replace those to be demolished. Applications for these plots have been received and are being dealt with.

As regards cooly quarters the proposals of the Medical Officer of Health are still awaited; but it is feared that no money will be available for this purpose.

There has been a slight improvement in the milk supply. Messrs. Govin & Co., propose opening a dairy at Takula but the difficulty at present is the supply of pure water to that place.

With reference to the Wilsonganj sewer it was decided to await the preliminary project called for from the Public Health Department.

As regards the question of installing destructors on a large scale for the use of the bazars, recommended by Major Murison, no action was considered necessary since, in a subsequent report, Capt. Clyde remarked that the number of existing incinerators, if efficiently supervised, was sufficient and the multiplication of incinerators in the bazar is strongly objected to by householders.

No suitable site is available within the station for an epidemic hospital.

A long felt want of the city was met during the year by the appointment of a mid-wife. She rendered valuable services and treated 235 cases gynaecologically, 52 pseudo-gynaec cases and confined 21 cases successfully.

Two thousand six hundred and thirty-one vaccinations were performed during the year of which 1,032 secondary and all primary were successful. The total cost of vaccination amounted to Rs. 903.

Four chemical and 159 bacteriological analyses of water were carried out. Except in the case of nine bacteriological analyses the results were found satisfactory.

The Crosthwaite Hospital was under the Board's control throughout the year. The total cost of maintenance amounted to Rs. 18,190 which includes Rs. 4,095 on account of special repairs to the buildings. The District Board handed over these buildings in very bad condition with the result that the Municipal Board has been burdened with the cost of carrying out special repairs. Ten per cent of the average cost of maintenance is payable by the District Board. As the Municipal Board was put to this additional expenditure the Government was approached to make a substantial grant towards the maintenance of this hospital but no orders have yet been received although twelve months have elapsed since Government was addressed.

As usual a contribution of Rs. 2,000 was paid to the Ramsay Hospital.

Capt. K. L. Kapur remained in the charge of the Sanitation Department for the whole year.

In the year under report rabies was very prevalent in Naini Tal and a large number of persons were bitten by mad dogs. Rabies is generally introduced by ownerless pariah dogs coming into the civil station from outside, a thing which it is impossible to prevent. However, one hundred and twenty-five ownerless and stray dogs were destroyed. This year the Board are employing a special staff for catching these dogs and have provided a cage on wheels in which they are removed to the Veterinary Hospital for painless destruction.

19. The hospital, which is a seasonal one, was opened on the 17th April 1925 and closed on 30th September 1925 whereas it was opened on 15th April and closed on 31st October in 1924. Although the hospital was closed a month earlier, owing to the Veterinary Assistant Surgeon's deputation to undergo a course of instruction in simultaneous inoculation at Muktesar, the number of patients treated increased from 499 (447 out and 52 indoor) in 1924 to 577 (523 out and 54 indoor) in 1925.

Veterinary Hospital

The income was Rs. 997 and expenditure Rs. 1,804 as compared with Rs. 936 and Rs. 1,856 respectively in the year previous.

The dispensary was again in charge of M. Nasirul Hasan Qadri, Veterinary Assistant Surgeon, whose work was very satisfactory.

Roads, Drains & Lake.

20. The rainfall during the calendar year ending 31-12-25 was 109 inches as against 121.92 inches in the year previous. On five days in June, July and August 1925 there was heavy rainfall and snow fell on three days in January 1926. The "choti barsat" began on 9th May and lasted until the 23rd May. The monsoon set in on 30th May and lasted until 27th September.

A separate report is submitted by the Public Works Department to Government on the Naini Tal drainage system.

Very slight damage was done to municipal roads as a result of which a sum of Rs. 964 only was paid to the Public Works Department for special repairs as against Rs. 4,500 in the previous year.

It is stated in the annual report on the hill slopes round Naini Tal for the year 1925 that the damage done the year before last to the East Laggon Road and South Mall below Crag Ellachie requires early repairs—an estimate for which has been sanctioned but funds have not been allotted. As stated in para 14 above the orders of Government on the application for a grant of Rs. 8,472 for this work are still awaited.

Education.

21. The Board's primary school at Malli Tal, in which no fees are charged, was maintained at a cost of Rs. 3,409. Some more additions were made to the existing building and the compound was enclosed at an expenditure of Rs. 2,530. The space in this school is still insufficient, as the enrolment is increasing yearly. The Diamond Jubilee Branch School in Talli Tal, which is a private institution, was given a grant of Rs. 1,000. The present building of this school is not suitable for the purpose and on the introduction of compulsory primary education a site will be required to construct a new building. The only suitable site is a triangular plot of land near the P. W. D. store room and the Executive Engineer, Kumaon Division, has been asked to transfer this plot to the Municipal Board, if there is no objection.

As regards the introduction of compulsory primary education the Director of Public Instruction intimated that the Government could only sanction grants up two-thirds of the net additional cost involved—recurring and non-recurring. The Board agreed to this and an application was submitted for the introduction of compulsory primary education to the whole of the Indian male population within the Naini Tal Municipality with effect from April 1st, 1926, but no orders have been received up to date.

The enrolment on 31st March 1926 shows an increase of 65 over last year. It was 171 in the Municipal Primary School, Malli Tal, and 106 in the Diamond Jubilee Branch School, Talli Tal, as against 135 and 77 respectively in the year previous.

There are two Girls' schools—one at Malli Tal and the other at Talli Tal, which are maintained by the American Mission. The Board gives a grant-in-aid of Rs. 700 per annum. The enrolment in these schools on 31st March 1926 was 26 at Malli Tal and 65 at Talli Tal, whereas it stood at 45 and 63 respectively on 31st March 1925.

In addition to the above two schools, there is one at Malli Tal maintained by the Government and one at Talli Tal, maintained by a private gentleman.

No teacher was sent for training during the year under report.

Assembly Rooms.

22. A statement of the Assembly Rooms accounts is appended to this report. The year opened with a balance of Rs. 2,881 and closed with a balance of Rs. 4,666. The receipts amounted to Rs. 6,245 as against Rs. 5,331 in the year previous and the expenditure was Rs. 4,460 as against

Rs. 3,508 in 1924-25. The increase in the expenditure is due to the special repairs to a part of the building carried out during the year, whilst the rise in the rent of the theatre hall leased to "Madan Theatres" is responsible for the increased income. The interest on debentures which amounts to Rs. 2,100 per year has not been paid since the year 1923. A further sum of Rs. 4,000 will be spent on special repairs in the current year.

In May 1925 a sub-committee was appointed to consider and report on the question of the Assembly Rooms. They met on 12th June 1925 and were of opinion that the property having deteriorated to such an extent as to require a large expenditure of Rs. 10,000 to bring it into satisfactory condition, the debenture holders cannot hope to receive any further dividends on their debentures for at least another 3 years. In view of this they recommended that the debenture holders be asked if they would accept 50 per cent. of the face value of their debentures together with full interest for the calendar years 1923, 1924 and 1925 and that the Board should purchase the debentures from their own funds. The Board approved these recommendations and the eleven debenture holders holding 300 debentures were addressed accordingly. Seven holding 209 debentures accepted the offer, and the Board now own more than two-thirds of the entire property.

23. The municipal limit was extended to Baldia Khan and the toll on passengers, travelling by motor vehicles other than cars, was reduced to one rupee per head with effect from the 3rd February 1926. Bye-laws were framed for the regulation of horse and motor vehicles kept or plying for hire between the toll limit and motor parao at Talli Tal, fixing a heavy license fee to compensate the Board for the loss that it might sustain if such vehicles are put on the road to bring in passengers from the toll limit and thus enable them to evade the toll. The orders of Government are awaited on the proposal to add a note to rule 10 of the Water Supply Rules so as to make it clear that each building or part of a building leased on a separate agreement will be treated as a "building" for purposes of calculating the rebate on a metered water supply.

Rules, regulations
and bye-laws.

The close season for fishing was abolished and the fishing bye-laws were amended accordingly. As desired by Government a bye-law providing for the humane slaughtering of animals was added to the bye-laws for the regulation of slaughter houses. The bye-laws for temporary occupation of streets &c., were amended as suggested in G. O. No. 3165/XI-34H, dated 19th June 1925, so as to prevent the occupation temporary or permanent of portions of provincial local roads except with the consent of the authority charged with the maintenance of the road. An addition was made to the bye-laws for the protection of Municipal and Government property to stop the nuisance of spreading clothes &c. on the railing at the back of Malli Tal bazar. The proviso to the bye-laws for the regulation of cattle-sheds and dairies was amended so that the bye-laws may be applied to cow-sheds to be erected after July 1st 1925.

The Imperial Bank of India having intimated that it was prepared to open special savings bank accounts carrying interest at 4 per cent per annum for the provident fund money of Municipal and District Boards, the Government made certain amendments in the model provident fund regulations and advised the Board to adopt them. The Board adopted them and opened its provident fund account with the Imperial Bank of India, Naini Tal Branch. The bank has now intimated that they have reduced the rate of interest from 4 to 3½ per cent. with effect from 1st March 1926 and thus the object for which the account was opened with the bank has failed. Another amendment made to these regulations was to the effect that a depositor is required to file a declaration showing to whom the balance at his credit may be paid at his death.

The rate of supply of electric energy for heating and cooking purposes was reduced to six pies per unit, for the winter months for the benefit of the residents of the bazars, but the concession was not taken advantage of. The rate for power supplied for flour and saw mills was fixed at a flat rate of annas two per unit subject to the usual rebate of 25 per cent. if the bill is paid on or before the 5th day of the month following presentation.

Certain powers were delegated to the Medical Officer of Health as suggested in G. O. No. 600/XI-150 dated 27th February 1925.

Audit of accounts.

24. The audit of the accounts for the year 1924-25 was taken up on May 25th, 1925 but had to be postponed owing to urgent work elsewhere. It was recommenced on 6th August and concluded on August 31st, 1925. Subject to the remarks contained in the audit note the accounts were found to be satisfactorily maintained. On completion of the audit only seven items remained unsettled.

Prosecutions.

25. During the year the total number of cases convicted by courts for which fines were credited to municipal funds was 175, of which only two were for adulteration of milk, and the fines amounted to Rs. 503. One hundred and seventy-three cases were compounded for Rs. 886. Of these 117 were for breaches of forest law, 21 for evasion of toll, 8 for not declaring taxable animals and the remainder for breaches of municipal rules or byelaws.

Collection of taxes and rates.

26. Appendix B. B. appended to this report shows the demands and collections under the several heads of income. The total demand including arrears amounted to Rs. 2,33,538 of which Rs. 2,23,832 or 95.84 per cent. was collected and Rs. 1,153 were remitted leaving a balance of Rs. 8,553 at the close of the year. Of the latter amount a sum of Rs. 4,709 has since been recovered.

The introduction of the system of allowing a rebate of 25 per cent. on bills for the supply of electric energy if paid on or before the 5th day of the month following presentation has proved very effective.

Forests.

27. The revenue during the year amounted to Rs. 1,752 as against Rs. 1,091 in the previous year. One hundred and fifty-eight trees and stumps were sold for Rs. 1,050. Eighty-three were cut and delivered to the Water works for fuel; six were used for the Manora Epidemic hospital, two given to the Public Works Department and eight to the Municipal Overseer for constructing barriers, &c. Four hundred and eighty-eight head of cattle were impounded and the pound receipts amounted to Rs. 187. A sum of Rs. 351 was received on account of 130 cases for breaches of forest law which were either compounded or convicted.

The revised working plan of the Naini Tal municipal forests has not been completed yet. The forest officer who was carrying out the work died and it is said that the Working Plans Officer, Naini Tal Division will now complete it.

Forty female popular trees were felled during the year.

As a large number of trees had been cut down in the compounds of old Government house and St. Loe which are situated in the dangerous area the Divisional Forest Officer, Naini Tal Division, was requested to inspect and give advice as to the crop now standing *i. e.* whether having regard to the state of the hill side it was expedient to cut any more trees and if there were any over mature trees. He inspected the locality and was of the opinion that the removal of more trees was undesirable, and that in the future only dead trees should be removed. He found that in a few cases immature trees had been removed. It has now been decided that only mature and dead trees should be cut in this locality.

Since 1920 some 3,000 trees have been cut within the catchment area of the lake, a fact which has left its mark not only on the denuded hill sides but also on the returns of consumption of fuel at the depots which has fallen off by about 30 per cent. during the same period. It was therefore decided that the time had arrived to pay serious attention to this most important matter on which to a considerable extent the stability of the hill sides depends. The Conservator of Forests, Kumaon Circle, was addressed in the matter and requested to favour the Board with his opinion and either to depute a special officer to carry out a survey of the trees in the catchment area of the lake or to direct that this be done along with the revision of the working plan of the municipal forests. He was also asked to have a plan prepared showing (i) the denuded areas with proposals as to the description of trees to be planted therein (ii) areas in which felling should be stopped and (iii) details of the number of trees fit for felling at once and within the next five or ten years. The Conservator of Forests, Working Plans Circle, U. P., has intimated that the work is in the hands of Mr. P. C. Kanji Lal, Deputy Conservator of Forests, who will inspect the area in detail during the rains.

28. There was no necessity for taking any action under section 248 of the Municipalities Act.

29. The work of the Board as a whole has been good. Rai Sahib Lala Jai Lal Sah and Lala Indra Lal Sah attended all the meetings and Mr. Busher and Lala Keshi Sah attended 10 meetings each.

Work of the Board.

30. I regret to have to report the death on the 1st May 1926 of Mr. H. B. Chantrey, the Electrical Engineer. At a special meeting held on the 15th May the Board passed a resolution recording its appreciation of the valuable services rendered by him and directed the Chairman to convey to his widow and family its sincere sympathy in their bereavement.

Staff.

Mr. Gill's work as Secretary has been most valuable and the high percentage of tax collections, which amounted to nearly 96 per cent. is a testimony to his unremitting supervision of the Board's affairs.

With a few exceptions the staff has again done good work specially P. Har Prasad Jha, Head Clerk and B. Bishambhar Dayal, Overseer.

I have the honour to be,

SIR,

Your most obedient servant.

J. M. CLAY, I. C. S.,

Chairman.

Enclosures.

1. Copy of special resolution Nos. 7 and 8 of a meeting of the Municipal Board of Naini Tal held on the 29th April 1926.
2. Statement in Form A.
3. Hydro-electric balance sheet.
4. Statement in Form B.
5. Appendix A.
6. Appendix B.
7. Appendix B. B.
8. Appendix C.
9. Appendix D.
10. Appendix E.
11. A brief report on the working of the Naini Tal Water Works.
12. Sanitary Report.
13. Abstract of the Assembly Rooms account.
14. A brief report on the working of the Hydro-electric.

H. W. GILL,
Secretary.

J. M. CLAY, I. C. S.,
Chairman.

Copy of special resolution No. 7 of a meeting of the Municipal Board of Naini Tal held on the 29th April 1926.

The statement and appendices to accompany the Annual Administration Report for the year ending 31st March 1926: to be considered and passed.

PASSED.

Copy of special resolution No. 8 of a meeting of the Municipal Board of Naini Tal held on the 29th April 1926.

Sanitary report for the year ending 31st March 1926: to be considered and passed.

PASSED.

H. W. GILL,
Secretary.

J. M. CLAY, I. C. S.,
Chairman.

Form A.
Annual Statement of Income and Expenditure for
the year ending 31st March 1926

OF

NAINI TAL MUNICIPALITY

FOR 1925-26.

Population 16,517 Summer.
10,392 Winter.

Number of item	Heads of income.	Actuals of the previous year, 1924-25.	Budget Estimate for the current year, 1925-26.	Actuals for the current year, 1925-26.
1	2	3	4	5
		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
1	BY BALANCE IN HAND AT CLOSE OF LAST YEAR	1,55,378	2,28,706	2,28,706
	MUNICIPAL RATES AND TAXES—			
3	Tax on the annual value of buildings and lands	64,525	62,000	67,588
4	Tax on animals and vehicles—			
	(a) Tax on boats	227	228	228
	(c) Tax on animals used for riding, driving, etc.	1,819	1,800	1,853
6	Tolls (on roads and ferries)	71,942	75,000	77,885
7	Water tax	44,040	42,000	45,652
9	Conservancy (including scavenging and latrine) taxes	55,468	50,000	58,309
10	Other taxes—Lake frontage tax	925	925	925
11	Total rates and taxes	2,38,946	2,31,953	2,52,440
	REALIZATIONS UNDER SPECIAL ACTS—			
12	From pounds	177	150	137
14	From licenses for the sale of petroleum ...	64	50	47
14 (a)	From other sources—Grass	99	100	75
15	Total	340	300	309
	REVENUE DERIVED FROM MUNICIPAL PROPERTY AND POWERS APART FROM TAXATION:—			
16	Rents of lands, houses, sarais (rest houses), dak bungalows, etc.	8,821	8,000	8,141
17	Sale-proceeds of lands and produce of lands, etc.	1,091	1,000	1,752
18	Conservancy receipts (other than taxes and rates)	218	200	401
	C. O. Total	10,130	9,200	10,294
	Carried over	2,39,286	2,32,253	2,52,749

Number of item	Heads of income.	Actuals of the previous year, 1924-25.	Budget Estimate for the current year, 1925-26.	Actuals for the current year, 1925-26.
1	2	3	4	5
		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
	<i>Brought forward</i> ...	2,39,286	2,32,253	2,52,749
	<i>Do.</i> ...	10,130	9,200	10,294
19	Fees and revenue from educational in- stitutions ...	6	10	8
20	Fees and revenue from medical in- stitutions ...	936	2,500	2,590
21 (a)	Markets ...	6,640	6,400	6,415
21 (b)	Slaughter-houses ...	4,823	5,000	5,094
23	Sale of water:—			
	(1) Sale-proceeds of water ...	26,797	25,000	30,480
	(2) Rent of meters ...	1,990	2,000	2,612
	(3) Other items ...	2,868	1,600	2,210
23 (a)	Copying fees ...	271	100	185
23 (c)	Registration fees for Jhampanies ...	351	370	359
23 (d)	License fees on Dandies, etc. <i>fishing & horses flying for home.</i> ...	1,060	1,450	1,493
23 (e)	Registration fee for dogs ...	1,691	1,650	1,731
24	Fines under Municipal and other Acts ...	1,502	800	1,051
24 (a)	Hydro-Electric Receipts ...	1,52,638	1,32,400	1,48,731
29	Total ...	2,11,703	1,88,480	2,13,253
	GRANTS AND CONTRIBUTIONS (FOR GENERAL AND SPECIAL PURPOSES)—			
	<i>From Government.</i>			
30	For general purposes ...	...	7,500	...
31	For Hydro-Electric ...	30,000	30,000	30,000
32	For sanitary purposes ...	6,060	6,060	6,060
39	Total ...	36,060	43,560	36,060
	<i>Carried over</i> ...	4,87,049	4,64,293	5,02,062

Number of item.	Heads of income.	Actuals of the previous year, 1924-25.	Budget Estimate for the current year, 1925-26.	Actuals for the current year, 1925-26.
1	2	3	4	5
		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
	<i>Brought forward</i> ...	4,87,049	4,64,293	5,02,062
	MISCELLANEOUS :—			
40	Recoveries on account of services rendered to private individuals ...	59	1,005	959
41	Other items ...	3,958	3,500	4,462
42	Total ...	4,017	4,505	5,421
43	TOTAL INCOME OF YEAR EXCLUDING OPENING BALANCE ...	4,91,066	4,68,798	5,07,483
	Extraordinary and debt :—			
48	Advances—Permanent ...	46	10	12
50	Deposits ...	1,685	2,500	2,250
51	Total ...	1,731	2,510	2,262
52	TOTAL RECEIPTS EXCLUDING OPENING BALANCE ...	4,92,797	4,71,308	5,09,745
53	TOTAL RECEIPTS INCLUDING OPENING BALANCE ...	6,48,175	7,00,014	7,38,451
53 (a)	TOTAL EXCLUDING HYDRO-ELECTRIC RECEIPTS AND OPENING BALANCE ...	4,39,586	4,82,131	5,04,237
54	Incidence of taxation (column 11) per head of population ...	Rs. A. P. 14 7 6	Rs. A. P. 14 0 8	Rs. A. P. 15 4 6
55	Incidence of income (column 43) per head of population ...	29 11 8	28 6 1	30 11 7

Hydro-Electric receipts and opening balance—

	Rs.
Opening balance...	...
Item 24 (a)...	55,483
Item 31	1,48,731
	30,000
Total	2,34,214

Number of item.	Heads of expenditure.	Actuals of the previous year, 1924-25.	Budget Estimate for the current year, 1925-26.	Actuals for the current year, 1925-26.
1	2	3	4	5
		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
	GENERAL ADMINISTRATION AND COLLECTION CHARGES—			
1	General administration (office establishment, inspection, honorary magistrate's establishment, etc.) ...	13,661	13,700	13,455
2	Collection of taxes including bonded warehouses (establishment, purchase of account books and paper, money boxes, repairs to outposts, etc.) ...	1,917	2,300	2,011
3	Collection of tolls on roads and ferries ...	8,986	20,300	8,838
4	Survey of land (Town Improvement) ...	...	2,889	191
5	Refunds (other than octroi) ...	246	500	238
	Total ...	24,810	39,689	24,733
	PUBLIC SAFETY—			
8	Fire (establishment, purchase of fire engines, buckets, repairs, etc.) ...	...	600	431
9	Lighting (establishment, purchase of lamps, oil, repairs, etc.) ...	21,079	21,100	21,000
	Total ...	21,079	21,700	21,431
	PUBLIC HEALTH AND CONVENIENCE:—			
12	Water supply. { Capital outlay ...	2,019	15,855	11,633
13	{ Establishment, repairs, etc. ...	43,433	50,400	44,174
14	Drainage. { Capital outlay ...	426	1,900	102
15	{ Establishment, repairs, etc.	320	1,000	195
16	Conservancy (including road cleaning and watering and latrines):—			
	(a) Subordinate establishment ...	38,686	49,100	47,068
	(b) Cost and feed of live stock ...	1,213	2,100	1,744
	(c) Plant and contingencies ...	4,310	4,000	3,853
	Carried over ...	90,407	1,24,355	1,03,769
	Carried over ...	45,889	61,389	46,164

Number of item.	Heads of expenditure.	Actuals of the previous year, 1924-25.	Budget Estimate for the current year, 1925-26.	Actuals for the current year, 1925-26.
1	2	3	4	5
		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
	<i>Brought forward</i> ...	45,889	61,389	46,164
	<i>Do.</i> ...	90,407	1,24,355	1,08,769
17	Charges on account of health officers and sanitary inspectors ...	8,222	8,700	8,293
18	Hospitals and dispensaries ...	5,826	27,775	22,805
20	Vaccination ...	711	870	903
21	Other sanitary requirements ...	2,661	46,148	9,492
22	Markets and slaughter-houses ...	563	4,800	1,698
23	Pounds ...	44	50	38
24	Dak bungalows and <i>sarais</i> ...	42	8,100	64
25	Arboriculture, public gardens and ex- perimental cultivation ...	1,482	1,700	1,319
26	Veterinary charges ...	1,856	2,000	1,804
28	Public Works { Establishment ... Buildings ... Roads ... Stores ...	5,855	7,000	6,359
29		4,923	8,000	5,649
30		48,106	24,500	15,981
31		580	1,000	631
31 (b)	Hydro-Electric maintenance ...	72,290	58,417	46,957
	<i>Total</i> ...	2,43,568	3,23,415	2,30,762
	PUBLIC INSTRUCTION :—			
32	Schools and Colleges ...	4,558	5,500	5,109
32 (a)	Construction and repair of school buildings ...	1,800	1,800	2,530
35	<i>Total</i> ...	6,358	7,300	7,639
	<i>Carried over</i> ...	2,95,815	3,92,104	2,81,565

Number of item.	Heads of expenditure.	Actuals of the previous year, 1924-25.	Budget Estimate for the current year, 1925-26.	Actuals for the current year, 1925-26.
1	2	3	4	5
	<i>Brought forward</i> ...	Rs. 2,95,815	Rs. 3,92,104	Rs. 2,84,565
36	CONTRIBUTIONS— For general purposes ...	2,117	2,117	2,117
37	MISCELLANEOUS :— Interest { Interest due on account of on { H. E. loans ...	80,816	1,52,974	1,52,974
38	loans. { Interest due on account of current year ...	4,877	4,015	4,015
40	Actual cost of work done for private individuals ...	31	1,050	807
41	Other items { Printing charges ...	2,430	3,000	2,285
41 (a)	{ Law charges ...	...	100	20
41 (b)	{ Provident fund ...	1,550	4,000	4,533
41 (c)	{ Government share of nazul proceeds ...	282	300	228
41 (d)	{ Kents ...	3400 3,004	3,800	3,411
41 (f)	{ Miscellaneous ...	7,127	6,500	5,642
43	Total ...	1,00,117	1,75,739	1,73,975
44	TOTAL EXPENDITURE ...	3,98,049	5,69,960	4,60,597
45	EXTRAORDINARY AND DEBT— Investment { In securities (other than for sinking funds) ...	...	35,000	14,839
48	Re-payment of loans ...	20,483	21,345	21,345
49	Advances—Permanent ...	20	85	85
51	Deposits ...	917	2,500	1,555
52	Total ...	21,420	58,930	37,824
53	TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS ...	4,19,469	6,28,890	4,98,421
53 (a)	Excluding Hydro Electric Items 31(b) & 37.	2,66,363	4,17,499	2,93,400
55	Actual balances ...	2,28,706	71,124	2,39,970
55 (a)	Do. Excluding Hydro-Electric...	1,73,223	64,632	2,05,687
56	Total ...	2,28,706	71,124	2,39,970
57	GRAND TOTAL ...	6,48,175	7,00,014	7,38,451
59	Permanent advance ...	800	1,000	865

Hydro-Electric Expenditure.

Item 31(a)	—	—	—	—	Nil
Item 31(b)	—	—	—	—	Rs. 46,957
Item 27	...	—	—	—	1,62,974
Total	...	...	...	...	1,99,931
Closing balance	...	...	...	...	34,283

H. W. GILL,
Secretary.

J. M. CLAY, I. C. S.,
Chairman.

NOTE.—Outstanding on uncashed cheques at the close of the year was Rs. 17,881 Receipts for 31st March 1926 credited (vide G. O. No. 1825/XI-10 H. dated the 1st November 1919) on 1st April 1926 was Rs. 3,769.
I hereby certify that the closing balance at the credit of Naini Tal Municipality at the end of March 1926 is Rs. 2,54,082-7-3 Two lacs fifty-four thousand and eighty-two, annas seven and pies three only

NAINI TAL:
The 28th April 1926. }

B. P. MUDAWAL,
Treasury Officer.

Supplementary statement of receipts and charges (items)

Receipts.

No. of items.	Heads of Income.	Actuals for the previous year 1924-25.	Revised budget estimate for 1925-26.	Actuals for the current year 1925-26.
1	2	3	4	5
		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
1	Sale of current for private lighting ...	52,621	55,000	60,818
2	" " " power ...	3,160	3,000	3,340
3	Receipts from Bazar contract system ...	7,462	6,500	8,427
4	Meter rent ...	4,257	4,000	5,455
5	Service line cost ...	2,380	13,000	18,359
6	Temporary lights ...	667	400	376
7	Work done for private individuals ...	292	300	392
8	Miscellaneous Receipts ...	1,406	2,200	1,247
9	Recoveries against House Wiring loan advances ...	2,528 761	2,000	3,005 1,548
10	Credit—			
	(a) Public Street Lighting ...	21,000	21,000	21,000
	(b) Power for driving water ...	20,316	25,000	24,764
11	Unspent balance of loan refunded by P. H. D. ...	35,788
	TOTAL ...	1,52,638	1,32,400	1,48,731

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Nos. 24 (a) and 31(a) for the year ending 31st March 1926.

Expenditure.

No of items.	Heads of Expenditure.	Actuals for the previous year 1924-25.	Revised budget estimate for 1925-26.	Actuals for the current year 1925-26.
1	2	3	4	5
		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
1	Work extension	13,319	3,400	1,058
2	Maintenance—			
2 (a)	Fixed establishment	30,711	31,042	29,100
(b)	Contingencies	2,766	4,500	2,616
3	Generation—			
	(a) Oil waste and other stores	3,203	2,000	1,537
	(b) Repairs to Machinery	674	3,000	250
	(c) „ „ Pipe line	287	2,000	278
	(d) „ „ Buildings	600	600	523
	(e) „ „ Head works	217	400	318
	(f) Other items	22	50	...
4	Sub-station—			
	(a) Oil waste and other stores	357	400	243
	(b) Repairs to Plant	58	200	40
	(c) „ „ Buildings	20	200	71
5	Mains—			
	(a) Line material and repairs	10,358	7,000	5,608
	(b) Lamps	...	600	404
	(c) Meter repairs	34	500	123
	(d) Other stores	...	100	...
	(e) Other items	...	...	38
	(f) Service connections	...	...	344
6	Refunds	103	300	398
7	Rents	282	400	316
8	Auxiliary Pump Ballia Ravine—			
	(a) Oil waste and other stores	323	...	41
9	House wiring and purchase of meters	8,956	1,725	3,681
	TOTAL	72,280	58,417	46,957

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FORM B.

MUNICIPALITY OF NAINI TAL.

Statement of Expenditure on original works during the year 1925-26.

Serial Number.	Nature of works.	Total amount of estimated cost.	Amount expended in previous year.	Amount allotted in the year under report.	Amount expended during the year of report.	REMARKS.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	Collection of Tolls.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
1	Erection of a toll bar at Baldiakhan ...	10,500	...	10,500	...	Not taken in hand
	Survey of Land.					
2	Repairs to municipal nazul boundary pillars.	200	...	200	191	Completed.
3	Town Improvement ...	6,000	3,311	2,689	...	
	Public Safety Fire—Establishment					
4	Hose ...	600	...	600	431	do.
	Water Supply Capital Outlay.					
5	Augmentation of water supply ...	15,000	...	15,000	11,633	In progress.
5(a)	Five new stand posts at Talli Tal bazar.	855	...	855	...	do.
	Drainage—Capital Outlay.					
6	Improvement to the drainage in a lane at Malli Tal near L Shyam Lal's house.	300	...	300	102	do.
7	Complete drainage arrangement of Haldwani Road.	1,600	...	1,600	...	do.
	Hospitals and Dispensaries.					
8	Additions and alterations to the Crosthwaite Hospital.	4,559	...	4,559	2,577	do.
9	Providing black iron sheets in the private ward of Crosthwaite Hospital	935	...	935	763	Completed.
10	Improvements to Asstt. Surgeon's quarters Crosthwaite Hospital.	755	...	755	755	do.
10(a)	Purchase of two stretchers for removing patients to Hospital.	100	...	100	95	do.
	Other Sanitary Requirements.					
11	Half cost of a new 12" sewer pipe line...	25,000	...	25,000	...	
12	Enlarging the Woodbine Lodge water-flushed latrine.	1,500	...	1,500	...	

Form B.—(Continued).

Serial Number.	Nature of works.	Total amount of estimated cost.	Amount expended in previous year.	Amount allotted in the year under report.	Amount expended during the year of report.	REMARKS.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
13	Construction of an urinal and latrine near the Flats.	1,355	...	1,355	...	
14	Improving the bullock-shed at Malli Tal,	300	...	300	...	
15	Improvements to Talli Tal motor parao	9,025	...	9,025	6 484	In progress.
16	Construction of two cattle-sheds for Malli Tal and Talli Tal.	4,334	...	4,334	1,880	do.
17	Urgent sanitary works ...	1,000	...	1,000	106	Completed.
18	Lake weeding ..	500	...	500	221	do.
19	Urinal on the North Mall near Y. M. C. A.	1,043	...	1,043	801	In progress.
20	Providing a retaining wall for the safety of the above.	250	...	250	...	do.
21	Improvements to the bathing shed at Malli Tal.	950	...	950	...	do.
22	Railing behind the bathing shed ...	891	...	891	...	do.
Markets and Slaughter Houses.						
23	Constructing a meat market at Talli Tal,	2,825	...	2,825	...	Site under selection.
24	Painting of the beef-market at Talli Tal,	300	...	300	110	In progress.
Dak Bungalows and Sarais						
25	Municipal sarai for travellers ...	8,000	...	8,000	...	
Arboriculture—Public Gardens						
26	Special repairs to the wall along the western edge of the lake.	257	...	198	198	Completed.
Veterinary Charges.						
27	Constructing kennels ...	310	165	145	58	In progress.
P. W. Buildings.						
28	Accommodation to be provided in the municipal office at Water Works for M. O. H. and Overseer's offices.	7,057	3,486	2,972	2,872	Completed.
29	Improvements to the municipal line at Talli Tal.	1,300	...	1,300	...	

Form B.—(Concluded).

Serial Number.	Nature of works.	Total amount of estimated cost.	Amount expended in previous year.	Amount allotted in the year under report.	Amount expended during the year of report.	REMARKS.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
30	Painting of the municipal office buildings.	400	...	400	...	In progress.
30(a)	Replacing the damaged floor area of the 2nd storey of the municipal office.	1,000	...	1,000	406	Completed.
	P. W. Roads.					
31	Improvement of the garden road with fencing between the Flats and municipal office.	305	...	305	219	In progress.
32	Special repairs to monsoon damages of municipal roads.	8,000	...	8,000	712	Paid to P. W. D.
33	Special repairs to sentry boxes on the Mall road.	200	...	200	107	Completed.
34	Putting reinforced concrete posts along the Haldwani road.	436	...	436	295	do.
35	Widening the link road (between Ramsay and Haldwani roads) and fencing with R. C. posts.	390	...	390	184	do.
36	Construction of a small path from Haldwani road to Public latrine at Talli Tal.	100	...	100	58	do.
37	Special repairs to road notice boards ...	400	159	241	...	
38	Putting a railing on the wall at the back lane Malli Tal.	2,621	2,375	15	15	Completed.
39	Road benches. ...	500	...	500	205	do.
40	Providing a wall for hill protection at the ship below Long View.	252	...	252	252	Paid to P. W. D.
	Schools & Colleges.					
41	Improvements to the Municipal Primary School at Malli Tal.	4,670	1,773	1,517	2,141	Completed.
	Other Items—Miscellaneous					
42	Special repairs to the Band-stand ...	484	...	374	374	do.
	Total ...	1,27,359	11,069	1,13,611	34,240	

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APPENDIX B.

Statement showing the expenditure on, and the condition of, all schools maintained from, or aided by, the Municipal Fund Naini Tal for the year ending 31st March 1926.

1	2	NUMBER OF SCHOLARS ON ROLLS ON THE 31st MARCH 1926.						EXPENDITURE FROM MUNICIPAL FUNDS.								17
		3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	
		In English schools.	In training classes.	In vernacular middle classes.	In upper primary classes of vernacular schools.	In lower primary classes of vernacular schools.	In other special schools.	Cost of teachers.	Contingencies, etc.	Inspection.	Scholarships.	Contributions to District Board.	Grants in aid.	Total recurring expenditure.	Buildings and occasional repairs.	
								Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
Intra-municipal schools managed by municipal or district board.	Municipal Primary schools	1	—	—	32	139	—	*2,994	415	—	—	—	—	3,409	2,530	*Includes pay of Chaukidar @ Rs. 12 per month = Rs. 144.
Total		1	—	—	32	139	—	2,994	415	—	—	—	—	3,409	2,530	
Inter-municipal colleges and schools aided by municipal board.	Preparatory schools..	1	—	—	—	106	—	—	—	—	—	—	1000	1,000	—	
Total		1	—	—	—	106	—	—	—	—	—	—	1000	1,000	—	
Total, boys' education		2	—	—	32	245	—	2,994	415	—	—	—	1000	4,409	—	
Girls' schools aided by municipal board.	Primary schools	2	—	—	—	*91	—	—	—	—	—	—	700	700	—	*Mission Girls' School Tali Tal ... 65
Total, Girls' schools		2	—	—	—	91	—	—	—	—	—	—	700	700	—	Mission Girls' School Malli Tal ... 26
Total expenditure from municipal funds		—	—	—	—	—	—	2,994	415	—	—	—	1700	5,109	2,530	

NOTE.—In the case of vernacular middle classes boys who have appeared in the Vernacular Final Examination should be shown.

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APPENDIX

Statement showing the demands, collections, remissions and outstanding balance of each

Number.	Name of Municipality.	Tax on houses and lands.			Water Tax.			Sale of water.			Conservancy including scavenging and latrine taxes rates.			Conservancy receipts (other than taxes and rates.)			Rent of land, houses, Sarais (rest houses) dak bungalows, etc.		
		Demand.		Collections.	Demand.		Collections.	Demand.		Collections.	Demand.		Collections.	Demand.		Collections.	Demand.		Collections.
		Arrears.	Current.		Arrears.	Current.		Arrears.	Current.		Arrears.	Current.		Arrears.	Current.		Arrears.	Current.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
	Naini Tal.	1,903	67,534	67,533	1,304	45,507	45,652	2,623	29,150	30,480	4,627	58,493	55,309	401	401	401	203	8,520	8,141

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BB.

Municipality in the United Provinces on account of certain Municipal dues for the year 1925-26.

Sale-proceeds of land and produce of land etc.			Fees and revenue from markets and slaughter-houses.			Total.					Outstanding balances.	Percentage of collections to demand.	Percentage of remissions to demand.	Remarks.
Demand.		Collections.	Demand.		Collections.	Demand.			Collections.	Remissions.				
Arrears.	Current.		Arrears.	Current.		Total.								
21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35
Na	1,752	1,752	118	11,403	11,509	10,773	2,22,760	2,33,533	2,23,832	1,163	8,553	95.84	-49	

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APPENDIX C.

Showing expenditure on water-works and sewerage and drainage works in the Naini Tal Municipality for the year 1925-26.

WATER-WORKS.				SEWERAGE AND DRAINAGE WORKS.		
Nature of charges.	Budget allotment.	Amount of expenditure.	Total.	Nature of charges.	Budget allotment.	Amount of expenditure.
1.—Establishment—				2.—Construction—		
(a) Permanent establishment,		10,404		(b) Surface drains ..	1,900	102
(b) Office contingencies ..		29	10,433	3.—Repairs—		
				(b) Surface drains ..	1,000	195
2.—Pumping—						
(a) Current ..		24,764				
Wood ..		569				
(b) Oil and waste ..		127				
(c) Other stores ..	50,400	95	25,555			
5.—Distribution—						
(a) Pipes and fittings		4,388				
(b) Meters ..		1,067	5,455			
6.—Repairs—						
(a) To tanks ..		166				
(b) To buildings and grounds ..		1,100				
(c) To machinery ..		715	1,981			
7.—Water analysis ..		750	750			
TOTAL ..	50,400	44,174	44,174	TOTAL ..	2,900	297

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APPENDIX D.

WATER WORKS.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS DURING THE YEAR 1925-26.

<i>Population.</i>						
By census of 1921 in municipality	(..)	(..)	(..)	(..)		16,517
Ditto cantonment	(..)	(..)	(..)	(..)		802
Total					(..)	17,319
<i>Cost of works.</i>						
Initial capital cost	..	..	(..)	Rs.	(..)	2,47,000
Cost of extensions and improvements to end of previous year	(..)			,,	(..)	4,25,604
Ditto ditto during the year	(..)			,,	..	11,633
Total cost of works					,,	6,84,237
<i>Consumption of filtered water.</i>						
During year including cantonment	(..)	(..)	(..)	Gallons	..	36,087,250
Daily average ditto	..	(..)	(..)	,,	(..)	98,860
Maximum daily average in any one month	..	(..)	(..)	,,	(..)	3,06,950
Daily average for cantonment alone	..	(..)	(..)	,,	..	6,377
Average number of hours filtered water pumped daily	(..)			,,	(..)	837
<i>Annual charges and receipts.</i>						
Maintenance charges	..	..	(..)	Rs.	(..)	44,174
Total charges with interest and payment of loan	{	Maintenance charges	Rs. 44,174	}	(..)	67,188
		Interest and loan repayment, Rs. 23,014				
<i>Income from water works.</i>						
Water-rate recovered during year	(..)	(..)	(..)	Rs.	(..)	45,652
Sale of water and other receipts	(..)	(..)	(..)	,,	(..)	35,302
Total, income					,,	80,954
<i>Number of house connections at end of year.</i>						
For purely domestic purposes	(..)	(..)	(..)	(..)		279
For other purposes	(..)	(..)	(..)	(..)		21
Total					(..)	300
Number of connections with meters	(..)	(..)	(..)	(..)		295

NOTE.—1. The yield from H. L. Gravity supply springs was 18,677 thousand gallons approximately.

2. Average number of hours water pumped daily summer months 12-3, other months 6-38.

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APPENDIX E.

Statement of expenditure from non-recurring grants and loans for the year ending 31st March 1926.

Particulars of loan or grant (authority, purpose and amount).	Amount taken up to the end of last year.	Amount received during the year under report.	Total.	Expenditure up to the end of last year.	Expenditure in the year under report.	Total.	Balance of amount taken up to date left unexpended.	Remarks.
	Rs.		Rs.	Rs.		Rs.	Rs.	
Government grant for Hydro-electric scheme and improvement to water supply G.O. No. 1031/XI-491-E, dated 4th July 1920 and Board of Public Health's No. 446 B. P. H. 27 of 20th April 1922.	5,50,000							
First loan for the Hydro-electric scheme and improvement to water supply construction of Rs. 9.82 lacs 6 per cent. per annum repayable in 30 years G. O. No. 2192/XI-451-E, dated 22nd December 1920 and No. 126/XI-451-E of 22nd January 1921.	...	Nil.	23,02,000	22,55,217	42,193	22,97,410	4,590	Balance available is on account of House wiring and meter purchase loan.
Second loan for the Hydro-electric scheme and improvement to water supply construction of 9 lacs 7 per cent. per annum repayable in 30 years and House wiring and meter purchase loan Rs. 70,000 7 per cent. per annum repayable in 10 years.	19,52,000							
Carrying out the preliminary proposals for improvements to Malli Tal and Wilsonganj bazars G.O. No. 1780/MXI-513-E dated 16th September 1921.	6,000	Nil.	6,000	3,311	...	3,311	2,689	

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Note on Water Works 1925-26.

1. Mr. H. B. Chantrey, Electrical Engineer, was in charge of the pumping station and the distribution system throughout the year.
2. The steam plant at the pumping station has not been used during the year.
3. In connection with the scheme for the augmentation of the water supply to the station during the dry season a new electric pumping station has been constructed at the lake side and the rising main to the collecting reservoir has been replaced by a 5" pipe line.
4. The distribution system has worked well. Before the winter set in exposed pipes were either buried or covered with grass to protect them against frost.
5. The reports on water analyses were satisfactory. Due to shortage of spring water lake water was supplied from May to the beginning of the rains. It was duly sterilized before being passed into the collecting reservoir. No complaints as to the taste or purity of the water were received.
6. The receipts and expenditure for 1925-26 as compared with those of the previous year are shown below:—

<i>Receipts.</i>	<i>1925-26.</i>	<i>1924-25.</i>
(a) Water tax	Rs. 45,652	Rs. 44,040
(b) Sale of excess water	„ 30,480	„ 26,797
(c) Rent of meters	„ 2,612	„ 1,990
(d) Other items	„ 2,210	„ 2,868
Total	„ 80,954	„ 75,695

Expenditure—

(e) Capital Outlay	Rs. 11,633	Rs. 2,019
(f) Establishment, repairs, &c.	„ 44,174	„ 43,433
(g) Repayment of loan and interest	„ 23,014	„ 23,014
Total	„ 78,821	„ 68,466

Not taking into account the interest and sinking fund charges on the capital outlay on the electric pumping station which amount to approximately Rs. 27,000, the year's working shows a surplus of Rs. 2,052.

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SANITARY REPORT OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF NAINI TAL FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31ST MARCH 1926.

One copy to be transmitted direct to the Director of Public Health on or before the 30th April.

	ANSWERS.								
1. State the total annual income excluding the opening balance, the opening balance, the receipts from conservancy and the expenditure on conservancy during the year.	<table> <tr> <td>1. Total annual income excluding opening balance</td><td>Rs. 5,07,483</td></tr> <tr> <td>Opening balance</td><td>2,28,706</td></tr> <tr> <td>Receipts from conservancy</td><td>58,710</td></tr> <tr> <td>Expenditure on conservancy (item 16 of the balance sheet)</td><td>52,665</td></tr> </table>	1. Total annual income excluding opening balance	Rs. 5,07,483	Opening balance	2,28,706	Receipts from conservancy	58,710	Expenditure on conservancy (item 16 of the balance sheet)	52,665
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Opening balance	2,28,706								
Receipts from conservancy	58,710								
Expenditure on conservancy (item 16 of the balance sheet)	52,665								
2. State briefly the chief sanitary defects, the remedial measures adopted and new projects under contemplation.	<p>2.—(I) Majority of the bazar houses and of Wilsongunj area are in deplorable condition owing to want of space, being old, closely partitioned and un-hygienically built.</p> <p>(II) The difficulty of the disposal of refuse owing to hilly nature of the place and the unsatisfactory sewerage still exist.</p> <p>(III) There is a shortage of public urinals and latrines.</p> <p>(IV) The out-houses and latrines, being of old type of many bungalows are also in insanitary condition.</p> <p>(V) Out-houses are utilised for cow-sheds and thus insanitary for the purpose.</p> <p>(VI) The water supply for flushing purposes is inadequate.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>The remedial measures adopted</i></p> <p>(I) (a) Every encouragement for hygienic type of houses is given and ventilation improved.</p> <p>(b) A new scheme for building more houses in Malli Tal bazar is under the consideration of the Board.</p> <p>(c) The Commissioner and the Deputy Commissioner inspected the defective bazar houses to provide better accommodation for the official clerks.</p> <p>(II) More refuse carts and incinerators are being utilised for the disposal of rubbish and where dumping is impossible the question of burning is resorted to on a larger scale.</p> <p>The sewerage improvement question has been placed in the hands of the Government Public Health Department. The existing sewer which is of small diameter, has been thoroughly scraped cleaned, and flushed regularly. Many private houses are going to be joined with the main sewer as soon as the bigger sewer pipe line is laid.</p> <p>(III) One latrine has been erected on the North Mall Road and another is going to be shortly built, while one existing will be extended.</p> <p>(IV) The attention of the persons concerned is drawn and steps are taken where necessary.</p>								

ANSWERS.

3. State briefly the sanitary works executed or in progress during the year including :—

(a) Sewage and drainage—

- (1) No. of house connections for sullage and sewage.
- (2) Improvements to sewage or drainage.

(b) Improvements to water supply with the number of new house connections.

(c) Improvements to conservancy namely—Number of Public and private water-house latrines.

(d) Improvements to site, and

(e) Any other improvements that may have been effected.

4. How the refuse and night-soil are removed and disposed off?

(a) The places appointed under section 273,

(b) The number and pattern of public latrine seats for males and females in working order,

(c) The number and pattern of urinals and dust-bins.

(d) The number and pattern of private latrines in use, and

(V) Cow-sheds in future will be built according to the amended bye-laws.

(VI) To remedy this arrangements are placed in the hands of the Superintendent Water Works.

3.

3 (a)

1. Nil.
2. Nil.

3 (b) I. Patterson's chloronome has been installed and utilised.

II. A new electric water-pumping engine and a large well to supply more water from the lake have been erected.

III. 21 new house connections have been made during the year.

3 (c) One public latrine (water flushed) erected at the North Mall Road.

3 (d) Improvements to the Motor Parao Talli Tal by erections of dandy-shed and pony-shed.

Improvements to the Malli Tal Cart Parao by erection of a bullock-shed for bullocks.

3 (e) I. Improvement to the bathing-shed Malli Tal.

II. Weeding of the lake.

III. Special repairs to the bazar roads and drains.

4. The refuse is partly carted away and thrown into khuds out side the inhabited area, and partly incinerated and dumped. Night-soil is carried to pail depots in closed buckets and thence ultimately disposed of at Runsi Sewage Farm.

4 (a) There are eight pail depots where night-soil is disposed of, and there are ten incinerators of new design and 12 of old pattern where rubbish is burnt.

4 (b) 87 male seats water flushed,
35 " " Gumla type,
22 female seats water flushed,
8 " " Gumla type.

4 (c) There are nine urinals, seven of them of no special type while two urinals are water flushed. The dust-bins are of open masonry type excepting four which are of new design.

4 (d) 866 latrines are of Kadamcha type. There are four water flushed latrines.

ANSWERS.

(s) Total number of cesspits, approximate amount of sullage per day and the number of carts used for removal.

5. State the number of notices issued under sections 186, 192, 211, 245, 267, 268, 269, 276, 278 and 284 and the number complied with under each section.

6. State if bye-laws have been made under the following heads of section 298 A, B, C, D, E, (e), F, G, I. & J. (a) (b) (d).

7. State the number of cases prosecuted under the Adulteration of Food and Drugs Act and the results.

8. Give a brief report on the :—

(a) General Health of the people.

(b) Particularly of any outbreak of epidemic disease during the year with date of commencement and termination, the methods adopted to control the epidemic and arrangements for isolation of infectious cases.

(c) The number of children born and the number of deaths under one year of age from 1st January to 31st December, and

(d) The areas which record the highest death rates.

4 (e) Almost every latrine has cesspits for its sullage. These cesspits are emptied by buckets and the sullage is carried to the pail depots. The amount of sullage is not known.

5. Section No. 192 Two (complied with).

" " 276. Two (do).

" " 267-450 (80 per cent. complied with and six cases were prosecuted and fined.)

6. Under heading I, Bye-laws for Dairies and cattle-sheds were amended.

7. Total number of samples of food-stuff were taken as follows:—

Milk 23

Ghi 12

Oil 3

Butter 4

Two cases of milk were found adulterated and prosecuted and fined Rs. 30.

8.

(a) The general health of the people was very good.

(b) There was no epidemic of any special kind. There were 11 imported and isolated cases of smallpox, four cases of chicken-pox, and two cases of measles. All these cases were isolated into the Manora Epidemic Hospital and thus the occurrence of epidemic was stopped. These cases were discharged cured without any death.

(c) The number of children born was 354 and the number of deaths under one year of age was 62.

(d) Talli Tal and Malli Tal bazars.

General remarks.

Every effort was made to keep the sanitary condition of the city to the very high standard and all complaints coming from any quarter were promptly attended to.

The deficiency of pure water which occurred during the season time, was promptly met by ample supply of chlorinated water so much so that the public was supplied with sufficient quantity of water to meet all its want, as in the ordinary course of circumstances.

Sanitary Inspection reports on Naini Tal Municipality made by the Assistant Director of Public Health were again gone into and necessary actions were taken where it was regarded desirable to take further steps.

ANSWERS.

Bungalow cleaning—During the year almost all the compounds of the bungalows (nearly 400 in number) were thoroughly cleaned twice in accordance to the Board's resolution. It was a tremendous task in itself on account of the area it covered, desire of the owners and tenants to be satisfied; and insufficiency of sweeper staff. Everywhere the signatures were obtained that the work was done to the satisfaction of the owners or tenants.

Milk supply—It improved during the year as it will appear from the low number of adulterated samples found. Constant watch over the gwalas, previous prosecutions of the years 1923, 1924 and instructions to the *halwaies* have resulted in great improvement in this direction. But the improvement can be still greater if the citizens also help in the matter as it is regarded that the milk is generally adulterated when the milk sellers enter the premises of the purchasers.

All the schools and colleges within the Municipality were inspected and all children unprotected from smallpox were vaccinated. The health of the children reported to be very good. Total number of vaccination done during the year was 2926.

Mid-wife—A lady doctor was appointed during the year which filled a longfelt want. She has done valuable services and her presence was a great boon to the poor houses of Naini Tal Municipality. She treated 235 cases Gynaecologically, 52 pseudo-gynaecic cases and confined 21 cases successfully.

J. M. CLAY, I. C. S.,
Chairman.

K. L. KAPUR, CAPT. D. P. H.
Medical Officer of Health,
City Board, NAINI TAL.

Abstract of Assembly Rooms Account for the year ending 31st March 1926.

Receipts.	Amount	Total.	Expenditure.	Amount.	Total.
	Rs.	Rs.		Rs.	Rs.
By balance in hand on 1st April 1925 ..	..	2,881	Pay of establishment ..	578	
By rent of library for the second half year 1924 and first half year 1925..	500		Fire policy ..	377	
By rent of central hall and north wing for 1925-26..	1,300		Annual repairs ..	424	
By rent from Mr. C. Wyatt Miles (palace cinema) in part for the seasons 1923 and 1924 ..	300		Special ..	2,641	
By rent of rooms Ayarpattawing for the second half year 1924 and first half year 1925 ..	600		Balance dividend debenture holders ..	440	4,460
By rent from Messrs. Madan Theatre Co. of the Theatrical Hall for the year 1925 ..	3,500		Balance on 31st March 1926,	..	4,666
By miscellaneous receipts ..	45	6,245			
TOTAL ..	..	9,126	TOTAL ..	..	9,126

H. W. GILL,
Secretary.

J. M. CLAY, I. C. S.,
Chairman.

Hydro-electric Annual Report 1925-26.

Generating Station.—I am not in a position to report on the generating station and the sub-stations. The Mechanical Engineer to Government has however recently inspected the generating station and his report may be referred to.

Pipe Line and Head Works.—Pipe Line is in good order. To prevent the passing of any weeds or similar rubbish through the pipes a screen has been provided at the Intake. The Pump at the Ballia Ravine is working satisfactorily. It has helped to keep up the level of the lake.

Distribution System.—The system is working satisfactorily. The following improvements and alterations were made during the year under report:—

- (1) Increase of the voltage in No. 1 Sub-station. A third transformer was provided to increase the load. In case of accident on the High Tension Line between the Kutcherri and Sukha Tal either of the other two or both Sub-stations can be connected to Sub-station No. 1.
- (2) Decrease of load in No. 2 Sub-station by connecting certain circuits of Low Tension Lines to Sub-station No. 3.
- (3) West side of No. 2 Sub-station has been fed independently.
- (4) To increase the load between the Boat-shed Talli Tal and Colvin Road near Messrs. Whiteaway Laidlaw & Co. three No. 6 extra copper wires have been put in.
- (5) Twenty-five iron poles were removed from Sub-stations Nos. 1, 2 and 3 with the result that 25 street lights were reduced and material of the value of Rs. 6,893 has been brought into stock.

Guarding of Telephone crossings have been completed. The number of consumers on the 31st March 1926 is given below:—

Metered system	..	..	.. 435.
Contract system	..	..	.. 457.
Power and heating	..	..	.. 48.

The road lighting was reduced to about half from 15th October to 15th April.

The question of the extension of the area of supply to Bhowali, Bhim Tal and Haldwani has been dropped, as owing to the gradual expansion of the scheme in the area of supply already sanctioned the water supply will not be sufficient for further demands unless the lake level is considerably raised. The Board is not in a position to meet the cost of this work which it is estimated will be about Rs. 2½ lacs.

General.—B. Bishambhar Dayal, Overseer, B. Deb Singh (Water Works Department) and B. Shib Datt, Electrical Engineer's clerk, on the staff have worked hard. B. Sangram Singh, Mains Superintendent, deserves special credit for the manner in which he has kept the work going.

J. M. CLAY, I. C. S.,
Chairman.

H. W. GILL,
Secretary.

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FOR
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FROM

N. C. STIFFE, ESQ., O. B. E., I. C. S.,

COMMISSIONER,

Kumaon Division,

TO

THE CHAIRMAN,

MUNICIPAL BOARD,

Naini Tal.

Dated, Naini Tal, the 4th August 1925.

SIR,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of the Annual Report of the Naini Tal Municipality for the year ending the 31st of March, 1925, and to make the following remarks:—

1. A verbal correction is necessary on page 3 Item 7. I presume that the previous paragraph is referred to, and am glad to see that the evasion of taxes is being carefully looked after.

2. *Item 30.*—The motor parao is an enormous improvement, and I congratulate the Board on having carried it out.

3. *Para. 7.*—It is of no use for me to go into any elaborate calculations on the subject of the Hydro-electric Scheme; as the Committee appointed by Government has just finished its sittings, and the orders of Government on its recommendations must be awaited.

4. *Para. 14.*—Some progress has been made in the matter of taking up the recommendations of Major Murison's report of 1922 but a good deal remains to be done. I find no mention of the question of installing destructors on a large scale for the use of the bazar; and apparently the smaller incinerators recommended for the bungalow area are still to seek. I see that the Public Health Sub-Committee is considering the question of the Wilsongunj sewer. It is not stated whether the sewage farm has been attended to, and the milk supply is still of the poorest. Messrs. Govin now have a lease of land at Manora for the purpose of constructing a dairy farm, and it is to be hoped that improvements will be effected through their agency; but they will undoubtedly require the assistance of the Board in eliminating the present impure supply by means of regulations and licensing, when they are prepared to provide a substitute. It is clear that except for the Hydro-electric Scheme the finances of the Board are in a flourishing condition, and I trust that any surplus income that may result from the deliberations of the Committee on the Hydro-electric Scheme, will be expended on sanitation, in preference to more attractive and showy undertakings. In making these remarks I am relying on the reports of the Government Public Health Officers. The statistics of mortality are by no means unsatisfactory; and the infantile mortality is satisfactorily low.

5. The scheme for compulsory primary education appears now to be likely to materialise, and should be for the benefit of this floating population that is difficult to deal with by other methods.

6. The question of the Assembly Rooms is undoubtedly pressing, as, if something is not soon done, the building is likely to go beyond the possibility of repair; but the question is a complicated one, and the latest proposals of the Board seem to be on the right lines. I am glad to see that better rents are now being recovered than has been the case in the past. The Board does not report whether any action was taken under section 248 of the Municipal Act; but there does not seem to be any great necessity for such action. It remains only to congratulate the Board on its prosperous financial condition and on a good year's work.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

N. C. STIFFE,

COMMISSIONER,

Kumaon Division.

No. 1408/I-3.

FROM

J. M. CLAY, ESQR., C.I.E., O.B.E., I.C.S.,

DEPUTY COMMISSIONER & CHAIRMAN, CITY BOARD,

Naini Tal.

To

THE COMMISSIONER,

KUMAON DIVISION,

Naini Tal.

Dated Naini Tal, the 2nd June 1925.

SIR,

I have the honour to submit the Annual Administration Report of the Naini Tal Municipality for the year ending the 31st March 1925, with the statements and appendices passed by the Board's special resolution No. 2 dated 15th May 1925.

2. Mr. Edye was Chairman up to the 10th March. I took over charge from the afternoon of the 19th March 1925. Capt. Corbett and Rai Sahib Lala Jai Lal Sah were Senior and Junior Vice-chairmen respectively throughout the year. There was no change in the constitution of the Board during the year.

Mr. A. D. F. Dundas, Joint Magistrate, left the district on the 23rd October 1924, and his place was taken by Mr. C. L. Griffin on the 16th March 1925.

3. During the year 16 meetings of the Board were held: of these two proved abortive for want of quorum and were held on subsequent dates as adjourned meetings. The number of attendances are shown below:—

Ex-officio members:

Mr. E. H. H. Edye	(..)	(..)	(..)	7
Mr. J. M. Clay	(..)	(..)	(..)	1
Mr. M. B. Hatfield, District Engineer	(..)	(..)	(..)	10
Mr. A. D. F. Dundas, Joint Magistrate	(..)	(..)	(..)	7
Mr. C. L. Griffin, Joint Magistrate	(..)	(..)	(..)	1

Nominated members:

Capt. J. Corbett, Senior Vice-Chairman	(..)	(..)	(..)	8
Mr. R. C. Busher	(..)	(..)	(..)	13
Khan Sahib Sheikh Abdul Qaiyum	(..)	(..)	(..)	11

Elected members:

Proprietors	{	Rai Sahib L. Jai Lal Sah, Junior Vice-Chairman	(..)	(..)	(..)	15
		L. Durga Sah Kumaiyan	(..)	(..)	(..)	12
Petty holders	{	L. Keshi Sah	(..)	(..)	(..)	12
		L. Indra Lal Sah	(..)	(..)	(..)	12
Tenants	(..)	Dr. M. A. Shah	(..)	(..)	(..)	8
General electorate	{	L. Kishori Lal Sah	(..)	(..)	(..)	15

4. The Sub-committees by whom the bulk of the work was done held meetings as shown below :—

Public Works	..	..	13
Public Health	..	..	6
Finance	..	..	10
Toll and Taxes	..	..	10
Education	..	..	10

The Market Committee met twice and the Assessment Committee on several occasions.

Income excluding
Hydro-electric.

5. Excluding Hydro-electric receipts and Government grants, the income of the Board was Rs. 3,04,099 as against Rs. 3,03,158 in the previous year, or an increase of Rs. 941. The important variations are explained below :—

Item 3. Tax on annual value of buildings and lands.—Increase Rs. 2,429 or 3'9 per cent due to assessments on several new buildings and recovery of arrears.

Item 4 (c). Tax on animals used for riding.—Increase of Rs. 95 or 5'5 per cent due to good detective work on the part of the Tax Inspector.

Item 6. Toll.—Decrease Rs. 855 or 1'2 per cent. This decrease was chiefly due to the motor road being blocked on several occasions and especially to the slip at the Brewery which kept a large number of people from attending the civil service week. This decrease would have been much larger had it not been for the strict application of the toll rules by the Secretary, and the recovery of toll, through his office, from persons who had in the past been allowed to pass through the barriers without being called on to pay owing to misunderstanding, particularly of the Tolls Army Act.

Item 7. Water tax.—Increase Rs. 2,121 or 5'1 per cent due to the same cause as the increase under item 3.

Item 9. Scavenging tax—Increase Rs. 1,067 or 2 per cent due to assessments on several new buildings and to recovery of arrears.

Item 12. Pounds.—Increase Rs. 47 or 36'1 per cent due to the raising of the rates of fines.

Item 14. Licenses for sale of petroleum.—Decrease Rs. 40 or 38 per cent due to a smaller demand for kerosine oil owing to introduction of electric lighting.

Item 23 (1). Sale proceeds of water.—Increase Rs. 4,816 or 21'9 per cent due to abnormal consumption of water in cantonments and increase in metered connections to private houses.

Item 23 (3). Sale of water—Other items.—Increase Rs. 849 or 42 per cent due to several new metered connections to private houses.

Item 23 (a). Copying fee.—Increase Rs. 176 or 18'5 per cent due to copies of a large number of plans, etc., applied for by several individuals.

Item 23 (c). Registration fee for Jhampanies.—Decrease Rs. 74 or 17'4 per cent due to a smaller number of jhampanies plying for hire.

Item 23 (e). Registration fee for dogs.—Increase Rs. 300 or 21'5 per cent due to better detective work by the Tax Inspector who has justified the grant to him of horse allowance.

Item 24. Fines.—Decrease Rs. 569 or 27·4 per cent. This is an uncertain source of income and depends on the nature of offences committed.

Item 50. Deposits.—Increase Rs. 600 or 67·6 per cent. This depends on the number and value of contracts for works given out.

The total receipts of the year including the opening balance and Government grants amounted to Rs. 4,39,586.

Disbursements
excluding Hydro-
electric.

6. Excluding Hydro-electric the total disbursements during the year amounted to Rs. 2,66,363 as against Rs. 2,83,512 in the previous year or a decrease of Rs. 17,149 or 6 per cent. The principal variations are explained below :—

Item 1. Collection of taxes.—Increase of Rs. 299 or 12·3 per cent is due to the horse allowance granted to the Tax Inspector to enable him to get round quickly and detect evasions of taxes.

Item 3. Collection of toll.—Increase Rs. 1,210 or 15·5 per cent due to the appointment of an assistant to the Toll Supervisor and special repairs to the St. Loe toll chauki.

Item 5. Refunds.—Decrease Rs. 592 or 7 per cent. In the previous year a sum of Rs. 549 was refunded to the Allahabad Bank as it cashed an out-station cheque for this amount which was returned as it had not been provided for.

Item 9. Lighting.—Increase Rs. 2,388 or 12·8 per cent. This is chiefly due to the raising of the fixed contribution for street lighting from Rs. 18,000 to Rs. 21,000.

Item 12. Water Supply—Capital outlay.—Increase Rs. 1,277. Details of this expenditure is given in Form B. Special repairs to the Water Works out-houses is chiefly responsible for the increase.

Item 13. Water Works—Establishment, etc.—Decrease Rs. 38,671 or 47·7 per cent due to the substitution of electric plant for the steam pumping plant and consequent saving in coal and other stores.

Item 15. Drainage—Establishment, etc.—Decrease Rs. 8,183 or 9·6 per cent due to provincialization of municipal drains or in other words the cost of maintenance is now being met by Government.

Item 16 (b) Cost and feed of live stock.—Increase Rs. 411 due to an advance of Rs. 400 given to the Medical Officer of Health for purchase of two pairs of bullocks.

Item 16 (c). Conservancy—Plant and Contingency.—Increase Rs. 1,937 chiefly due to purchase of three refuse carts, four hand refuse carts and four wooden wheels.

Item 17. Charges on account of Health Officers and Sanitary Inspectors.—Increase Rs. 550 or 7·2 per cent due to current and arrear increments to Sanitary Inspectors and grant of horse allowance for the whole year instead of 6 months to the second Sanitary Inspector.

Item 21. Other Sanitary requirements.—Decrease Rs. 2,029. Fewer works were paid for during the year. Details of works in progress are given in Form B.

Item 22. Markets and Slaughter-houses.—Decrease Rs. 4,734 or 89·3 per cent. This year only annual repairs were carried out against several original works last year.

Item 29. Public Works—Buildings.—Increase Rs. 3,560 due to additions and alterations to the Municipal office.

Item 30. Public Works—Roads.—Increase Rs. 25,390 due to the completion of the motor parao at Talli Tal.

Item 32 (a). Construction and repairs of school buildings.—Increase Rs. 1,781 due to addition of two rooms to the Malli Tal Primary School.

Item 41. Printing charges.—Decrease Rs. 1,025. Last year's figures included arrears of 1922-23

Item 41 (b). Provident fund.—Decrease Rs. 2,225. A larger number of bonuses were added to the fund in the previous year.

Item 41 (d). Rents.—Increase Rs. 2,108 represents rent paid to municipal employees not provided with quarters.

Item 41 (f). Miscellaneous.—Increase Rs. 2,469. This includes Rs. 1,000 given as a contribution towards the Hindu Burning-ghat and Rs. 500 for improving the Mohammadan cemetery, also special repairs to the fuel and charcoal depots.

The year closed with a balance of Rs. 1,73,223 as against Rs. 1,29,427 at the close of 1923-24 and is made up of the following items :—

Incomplete and postponed works	Rs.	61,930
Actual revenue	Rs.	1,11,293
Total	Rs.	1,73,223

Hydro-electric income,

7. Excluding the opening balance, Government grant and unspent balance refunded by the Public Health department the receipts during the year amounted to Rs. 1,16,850 as against Rs. 85,439 in the previous year. There is an increase under all heads of income. The number of houses taking energy has increased and occupiers of bazar shops are appreciating the benefits of the contract system and are paying for the wiring. The fact that two cinemas were working in the year under report has considerably helped to inflate the income from sale of power.

The total receipts including the opening balance, Government grant of Rs. 30,000 and the sum of Rs. 35,788 refunded by the Public Health department amounted to Rs. 2,08,589.

Hydro-electric disbursements,

8. The expenditure on extensions and maintenance, &c. amounted to Rs. 72,290 as against Rs. 70,901 in the previous year. Details are given in the subsidiary statement appended to the annual statement of income and expenditure. To the above amount should be added interest and sinking fund charges *viz.* Rs. 80,816 making the total expenditure Rs. 1,53,106 against receipts, including opening balance, of Rs. 2,08,589. The balance at the close of the year was Rs. 55,483 which is made up of the following items :—

Balance of house wiring loan	Rs.	6,693
Balance of Hydro-electric loan	Rs.	40,090
Actual revenue	Rs.	8,700
Total	Rs.	55,483

Had the Government not given a grant of Rs. 30,000 the Hydro-electric would have worked at a loss of Rs. 21,300.

9. The appended statement shows the financial position of the Hydro-electric and Water Works based on the receipts and expenditure of 1924-25.

	Hydro-electric proper.	Water Works Old and New.	Hydro-electric and Water Works combined.	
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
Capital cost	(a) 17,85,400	10,26,700	28,12,100	(a) Excluding Rs. 3,54,100 spent on the Water Works.
Receipts	(b) 1,13,561	75,695	1,89,256	(b) Excluding recoveries of house wiring loan.
Expenditure	(c) 50,015	43,433	93,448	(c) Excluding expenditure out of house wiring loan and cost of extensions.
Surplus	63,546	32,262	95,808	
Percentage of Capital cost	3.6	3.1	3.4	
Loan liabilities	(d) 1,18,938	(e) 50,014	1,68,952	
Deficit	55,392	17,752	73,144	
				Rs.
				(d) Interest and sinking fund on 1st loan of Rs. 9,72,000 70,965
				Interest and sinking fund on 2nd loan of Rs. 9,00,000 72,158
				Meter loan Rs. 20,000 out of Rs. 70,000 2,814
				Total 1,45,938
				Deduct proportionate charges on Rs. 3,54,100 transferred to Water Works 27,000
				Total 1,18,938
				Rs.
				(e) On old loan 23,014
				On new loan 27,000
				Total 50,014

The capital cost, excluding Rs. 3,54,100 spent on the Water Works, since the Board has taken over the working from the Public Health department, amounts to Rs. 17,85,400. Excluding recoveries of house wiring advances the receipts proper in the year under report amounted to Rs. 1,13,561 and expenditure, excluding payments from house wiring loan and cost of extensions, amounted to Rs. 50,015, thus leaving a surplus of Rs. 63,546 which works out at 3.6 per cent of the capital cost. This surplus is sufficient to meet a little more than half of the interest and sinking fund charges which amount to Rs. 1,18,938.

If both the Hydro-electric and Water Works (old and new) are treated as a single scheme the capital cost works out to Rs. 28,12,100. The surplus receipts amount to Rs. 95,808 or 3.4 of the capital cost while the annual liability amounts to Rs. 1,68,952.

Taking Water Works by itself and debiting it with the Rs. 3,54,100 spent on the electric pumping plant and power house the capital cost amounts to Rs. 10,26,700, the surplus income is Rs. 32,262 while the annual liability is Rs. 50,014.

Thus it will be seen that neither under a single nor combined scheme can Hydro-electric or Water Works pay its way. Without a very substantial remission of both the Hydro-electric and Water Works loans the Board cannot make both ends meet. It is to be hoped that the Committee appointed under the Chairmanship of Mr. A. W. Pim to look

into the finances of the Hydro-electric department, will be able to recommend to Government some substantial measure of relief.

Government Grants.

10. The total grants received from the Local Government during the year amounted to Rs. 36,060. Of this Rs. 30,000 represents the second annual grant for Hydro-electric promised in G. O. No. 1948-XI-451 E, dated 7/8th September 1922, and the balance Rs. 6,060 includes the annual recurring grants of Rs. 5,000 for general sanitary purposes and Rs. 1,060 towards the pay of Sanitary Inspectors.

Final orders have not yet been passed by Government regarding the grant of Rs. 8,472 applied for, for meeting the cost of special repairs to the slip at Crag Ellachie.

As regards the remission of Rs. 8 lacs recommended by you in your letter No. 2680/XXIII-40 dated 1st April 1924 the Government has appointed a Committee to examine and report on the finances of the Hydro-electric scheme.

11. The instalments of the loans payable during the year under report amounted to Rs. 1,06,176; but from the current year they will be increased to Rs. 1,78,334 as stated last year. Unless Government is pleased to write off the sum of Rs. 8 lacs referred to in the above paragraph the Board will not be in a position to pay the annual instalments of the second Hydro-electric loan of 9 lacs which amount to Rs. 72,158.

Original Works,
Form B.

12. A total sum of Rs. 1,14,420 was allotted during the year for original works and special repairs as detailed in Form B. Of this amount Rs. 46,515 was spent during the year. The most important of these works was the enlargement of the motor-parao at Talli Tal which was completed during the year at a cost of Rs. 28,087. A sum of Rs. 61,930 has been carried forward to meet the cost of works in progress or postponed. This includes Rs. 25,000 being half the estimated cost of a new 12" sewer pipe line from the Club boat house to Talli Tal and Rs. 7,500 half the estimated cost of a scheme for improving the water supply by the installation of a motor pump in a filtration well at the lake side to take the place of the present steam pumps and a Paterson Chloronome water sterilizing plant. The Board of Public Health will be asked to meet the remaining cost of these two schemes.

Water Works.

13. The receipts of the year amounted to Rs. 75,695 and the expenditure including the annual loan instalment of Rs. 23,014 to Rs. 66,447, a surplus of Rs. 9,248. This is mainly due to the saving in the cost of coal by the introduction of the electric pumping plant. But if the interest and sinking fund charges on Rs. 3,54,100 spent on the electric plant and pump house amounting to Rs. 27,000 are taken into account the Water Works would have worked at a loss of over Rs. 17,000.

The question of harnessing the Kilberry springs and certain springs below Woodstock has been dropped and a scheme to supplement the water supply from the lake by installing a motor pump at the lake side and a Chloronome water sterilising plant has been taken up. The latter has been installed and is chloronating the water at present pumped up by the old steam pumps.

The consumption of pumped water fell from 35 million gallons in the previous year to 30 millions in the year under report. This fall is due to the fact that the rainfall was much in excess of the normal, the figures being 122 inches against 96 inches and wet days 71 per cent against 64 per cent.

The report by the Superintendent, Water Works, on the working of the water works is appended to the report.

Sanitation.

14. The health of the settlement was very good. There was no epidemic of any kind ; but there were 9 imported and isolated cases of smallpox and 4 cases of chicken pox. All occurred at the end of the year and were isolated and treated at the Manora Epidemic hospital.

The maintenance charges of this hospital amounted to Rs. 999 as against Rs. 1,801 in the previous year. Of this expenditure 25 per cent is met by the District Board.

The number of births registered was 329 as against 372 in the previous year and deaths recorded was 224 against 298. The latter figures include 59 and 56 deaths respectively of children under 12 months old.

The Board has at last succeeded in obtaining the services of a trained mid-wife. She was entertained from 1st April 1925.

The existing sewer was thoroughly scraped, cleaned and flushed. It is proposed to lay a 12" sewer from the Club boat house to Talli Tal to take the place of the present 8" sewer, and the Public Health Department has been asked to prepare a preliminary project. It is estimated that this project will cost Rs. 50,000. The Board has provided half the cost in its budget and the Board of Public Health will be asked for the remainder.

Action has been taken by the Board on the several recommendations made by Major Murison & Capt. Clyde in their inspection notes as shown below :—

Water supply and sullage.—The following recommendations of the Director of Public Health were approved (1) to supplement the water supply by installing a motor pump in a filtration well by the side of the lake and pumping this water up to the clear water reservoir, and the installation of a Paterson Chloronome to sterilize the water before pumping it to the clear water reservoir and (2) to lay down a new main sewer of 12" diameter between the boat house and Talli Tal in place of the present 8" sewer.

Meters.—A sufficient number of meters has been ordered to meet the demand for new water connections.

Sewer connections.—It was decided that houses above the Malli Tal pail depot and within 100 feet of the sewer should be connected up with the sewer in accordance with the Municipal Act, and that other connections should await report from the Public Health department. It was also decided that only big houses should be connected at present, such as hotels and clubs, the cost to be borne by proprietors; that connection in Talli Tal be made at once; and that no connection be made between the Tank and Talli Tal.

It was said that incinerators were not burning correctly. This has been remedied.

As regards the sewage farm the Public Health department has been asked to submit a forecast for preparing plots &c. for cultivation.

As regards housing it was decided not to revive the question of the Town Improvement Trust.

The proposals for the provision of quarters for coolies and improvement of the milk supply are under consideration.

The question of laying down a sewer in Wilsongunj is being dealt with by the Public Health Committee.

No fresh site has yet been obtained for the Epidemic hospital.

The number of vaccinations performed during the year was 427 of which 92·9 per cent were successful. There were 633 re-vaccinations of which 39·4 were successful. The total cost was Rs. 711.

Four chemical and 159 bacteriological analyses were carried out. Thirty-two of the latter were unsatisfactory.

There was no improvement in the milk supply. Out of 14 samples sent to the Public Analyst, only three contained pure milk. In most cases prosecutions were instituted and the accused were fined Rs. 315. The highest fine being Rs. 100 and the lowest Rs. 15.

Capt. Kapur was in charge of the Sanitation department throughout the year.

As regards the maintenance of the Crosthwaite Hospital a joint-committee of the district and municipal Boards met and recommended the transfer of the hospital to the Municipal Board, the district board paying 1/10th of the annual cost. This recommendation was accepted by both the boards and the hospital is now under the control of the municipal board with effect from 1st December 1924. By this transfer the Board will be put to an additional expenditure of about Rs. 22,000 a year. The Government has been approached to make a substantial grant towards its maintenance.

The usual contribution of Rs. 2,000 was paid to the Ramsay hospital.

Veterinary Hospital.

15. This seasonal hospital opened on the 15th April 1924 and closed on the 31st October 1924, whereas in the year previous it opened on the 4th May and closed on 19th October. Four hundred and forty-seven out patients and 52 in patients were treated during the season as against 352 out and 34 in door patients in 1923. The income and expenditure amounted to Rs. 936 and Rs. 1,856 respectively as against Rs. 813 income and Rs. 1,987 expenditure in the year previous.

The Deputy Superintendent, Civil Veterinary department, Moradabad Sub-division, in his inspection note dated 16th October 1924 recommended that the hospital be kept open all the year round and that animals be treated free of charge provided that the tax on horses and registration fee for dogs be raised by Re. 1 per animal. The matter was however dropped as it was found that the Board would have to meet an additional charge of Rs. 1,200 per annum.

During the year 5 kennels were provided and the floors of the operation shed and main building were improved. A bath room was also added to the hospital and the building was electrically installed.

M. Nasirul Hasan Qadri, Veterinary Assistant Surgeon, was in-charge of the hospital and worked well. His services have again been lent to the Board for this year.

Roads, Drains and Lake.

16. The rain-fall was much in excess of the normal being 121·92 inches as against 96·12 inches in 1923. Heavy rain fell on 8 days, the heaviest being 6·90 inches on 29th September 1924. Snow fell on five days the heaviest fall being 9 inches on 5th January 1925.

The drainage system is under the control of the Public Works department and a separate report is submitted by them to Government.

Slight damage was caused to municipal roads, but no damage was done to buildings adjoining. A sum of Rs. 4,500 was paid to the Public Works department for special repairs to these roads.

Owing to the Brewery slip the Board has lost several buildings.

Education.

17. The Municipal Primary School, Malli Tal, which is a free institution, was maintained by the Board at a cost of Rs. 4,558. Additional rooms have been added to the existing school building and there is now no need to hire rooms in the bazaar. A grant of Rs. 1,150 was given to the private school in Talli Tal known as Diamond Jubilee branch school. The Board has not taken over this school yet as final orders on the scheme for compulsory primary education have not been received. In February last a detailed scheme approved by the Director of Public Instruction was received from the Assistant Inspector of Schools, Kumaon Division, but in the Director's forwarding letter to the Assistant Inspector it was stated that if the Board is prepared to meet from its own funds the extra expenditure involved by the introduction of the scheme in addition to its present expenditure on primary education it should submit an application to the Government through the proper channel. On this the Board decided that unless the Government is prepared to pay two-thirds of the cost involved in introducing compulsory primary education in accordance with para. 3 of the memorandum attached to G. L. No. V. E. 26/XXXVII-16 of 1923-24 and undertakes to pay for the school buildings it is unable to take up the question of compulsory education. To this no reply has been received yet. The enrolment on 31st March 1925 was slightly lower than last year. It stood at 135 in the municipal school and at 77 in the Diamond Jubilee branch school as against 141 and 81 respectively in the year previous.

In all there are four girls' schools in the municipality *i. e.* two in Malli Tal and two in Talli Tal. Of these one is maintained by Government, two by the American mission and one by a private gentleman. The grant-in-aid to the American mission authorities towards the maintenance of the two schools—one at Malli Tal and the other at Talli Tal—was raised from Rs. 350 to Rs. 700 per annum. On 31st March 1925 the enrolment was 45 at Malli Tal and 63 at Talli Tal. It was 32 and 62 respectively on 31st March 1924.

The teacher sent for training in the year 1923-24 returned in the year under report, and another teacher was recommended for admission to the training class but the Assistant Inspector of Schools, Kumaon Division, refused to depute him on the ground that he was not competent enough to profit by the course of training at a training class. Two untrained teachers who were in the employment of the Board were given notice and trained ones were appointed in their places.

Assembly Rooms.

18. Appended to this report is a statement of account for the year ending March 31st 1925. The income of the year was Rs. 5,331 as against Rs. 2,880 in 1923-24 and the expenditure amounted to Rs. 3,508 as against Rs. 2,046 in the year previous. The year opened with a balance of Rs. 1,058 and closed with a balance of Rs. 2,881. The increase in receipts is due to collection of arrears. A sum of Rs. 2,155 was paid to the debenture holders on account of dividends for the year 1922. There is no hope of paying up the interest for the years 1923 and 1924, for the reason that the building is in a most dilapidated condition and requires considerable repairs which are estimated to cost Rs. 10,000. It is proposed to spend Rs. 4,000 in the current year.

The theatre hall has been leased to Madan Theatres for a period of five years from 1st January 1925 on an average rent of Rs. 3,700 per annum as against an average rent of Rs. 1,686 in the previous 5 years.

Rules, regulations and bye-laws.

19. Revised rules for the assessment and collection of scavenging tax were finally published in May 1924 and are now in force.

Passengers travelling by lorries and charabancs get down at the toll limit which, by the short cut, is less than a mile from the cart-road toll bar and walk into municipal limits and thus avoid the payment of Rs. 2 toll tax. The senior auditor who went into the matter came to the conclusion that the Board was losing about Rs. 70,000 per annum and proposed that the limits be extended to Baldia Khan. A sub-committee was appointed to consider this question and it recommended that the municipal limit be extended along the cart-road up to Baldia Khan at the 6th mile stone opposite the gate of the road leading to Patwa Dangar excluding the Forest and other lands on either side of the road, and that when the extension is sanctioned the toll on passengers travelling by motor vehicles other than cars be reduced from Rs. 2 to Re. 1 per head. The case was submitted to Government for sanction in August 1924 but the orders passed by Government in November 1924 approving the Board's recommendations were not communicated to the Board till 1st April 1925. If the orders had been received in December 1924 the municipal limits would have been removed to Baldia Khan before the commencement of the current year and evasions would have ceased. The revised description of boundaries has now been submitted and the final notification is awaited.

As stated in paragraph 21 of the annual report for the year 1923-24 the question of abolishing the concession granted to milkmen by compounding the daily toll on payment of Rs. 20 per annum was considered at the end of the season and it was decided that these passes be abolished with effect from the 1st April 1925. The family toll composition passes were being abused and they have also been abolished with effect from the same date.

A proviso was added to the bye-laws requiring the licensing and registration of dogs to the effect that dogs kept in the station for not more than 10 days shall not be required to be registered.

The projection and building bye-laws were amended in accordance with the draft amendments proposed by Government regarding the danger likely to be caused by aerial electric lines. Another amendment made to the building bye-laws was to the effect that applications for erection or re-erection of buildings abutting on a road maintained by the Public Works department should go to the Executive Engineer of the division also.

The Jhampani bye-laws were amended to include coolies plying for hire. This amendment came into force with effect from 2nd May 1925.

The license fee for fishing in the lake has been raised from Re. 1 to Rs. 3 per month and the fishing has been opened for the whole year except during the months of August and September. Machans can be erected on a reserved spot on payment of a monthly rent of Rs. 2 in addition to the license fee, each reserved spot having a lake frontage of 50 feet. These amendments came into effect from the current year.

Additions and alterations were made to the regulations for the management of the Provident Fund according to suggestions received from Government. The main alteration was that employees shall contribute at the rate of 0-1-6 per rupee instead of anna one.

The rules for the management of the Flats were revised and sanctioned by Government.

Certain additions and alterations have been made in the terms and conditions for the supply of electric energy. The important ones are :—

- (1) A fee of Re. 1 is now charged for disconnecting or reconnecting any building with electric lights.

- (2) The rate for the supply of electric energy for light has been increased to eight annas per unit, a rebate of 25 per cent. being allowed if the bill is paid on or before the 5th day of the month following presentation.

The rates for power have also been proportionately raised and the same condition will apply.

Audit of accounts.

20. The accounts for the year were audited from the 10th of May to the 20th June 1924 and on completion of audit only six items remained unsettled. The auditors found the accounts at the head office to be satisfactorily maintained on the whole but it was remarked that the toll accounts require closer supervision. This is now being done.

The Examiner, Local Fund Accounts, did not accept the Board's views in regard to the objection raised in paragraph 13 regarding assessment of taxes on court-houses and requested that the matter be referred to Government for orders. The case has therefore been submitted to you and orders of Government are awaited.

As regards objection no. 14 that scavenging tax is being realized far in excess of the expenses defrayed in connection with the scavenging of houses it was decided to increase the scavenging staff instead of reducing the rate of tax. The increased staff has been employed from the 1st April 1925.

As noted in paragraph 19 above the municipal limit is being extended to Baldia Khan.

Prosecutions.

21. The total number of cases convicted by courts for which fines were credited to municipal funds was 105 and the fines amounted to Rs. 689. Of these 9 cases were for adulteration of milk. Rs. 813 were realized for compounding 192 cases of which 128 were for breaches of the Forest law, 18 for evasion of toll and the remainder for breaches of municipal bye-laws or rules.

Collection of taxes and rates.

22. The demands and collections under the several heads of income are shown in Appendix BB. The total demand including arrears amounted to Rs. 2,94,527. Of this Rs. 951 were remitted and Rs. 2,78,131 or 94.43 per cent. was collected leaving an outstanding balance of Rs. 15,445. Of this Rs. 6,570 have been recovered since the close of the year. The usual processes were issued for the recovery of arrears.

Forests.

23. The revenue of the year was Rs. 1,091 compared with Rs. 1,325 in the previous year. Sixty trees and stumps were sold to the public at a cost of Rs. 639. Eighty-one trees were cut and delivered to the water works for fuel, ten were used for the Manora hospital and municipal office, 2 given to Public Works department for construction of barriers, &c. and 13 to municipal overseer for fuel depots. The number of cattle impounded during the year was 644 and the pound receipts amounted to Rs. 177. One hundred and twenty-three cases for breaches of the forest law were compounded or convicted and Rs. 461 were received on this account.

The revision of the working plan for the Naini Tal municipal forests is in hand and the cost is estimated at Rs. 600. The owners of the area surrounding the Ramsay hospital were asked to plant cypress or deodar trees in their compounds.

One hundred and sixty female poplar trees were felled during the year.

Thakur Man Singh, the ranger, who was a very old servant of the Board died in July 1924 and was succeeded by the senior patrol Pandit Debi Datt.

Work of the Board,

24. The Joint Magistrate is the President of the Public Health committee and the District Engineer of the Public Works committee. Rai Sahib L. Jai Lal Sah presided over the Education committee and the Chairman over the Finance and Toll and Taxes committees. The work of the Board as a whole has been good. Rai Sahib L. Jai Lal Sah, L. Kishoree Lal Sah and Mr. R. C. Busher have been most regular in attendance at meetings.

Staff,

25. Mr. Chantrey has successfully administered both the Water Works and the Electrical departments of the Board, while Mr. Gill has been of the greatest assistance to the Chairman in all departments of the Board's activities.

With a few exceptions the staff has again done good work specially Pandit Har Prasad, Head-clerk, Babu Bishambhar Dayal, Overseer, and Babu Prem Lal, Toll Supervisor.

I have the honour to be,

SIR,

Your most obedient servant,

J. M. CLAY,

Chairman.

Enclosures.

1. Copy of Special Resolution Nos. 2 and 3 of a meeting of the Municipal Board of Naini Tal held on the 15th May 1925.
2. Statement in Form A.
3. Hydro-electric balance sheet.
4. Statement in Form B.
5. Appendix A.
6. Appendix B.
7. Appendix B B.
8. Appendix C.
9. Appendix D.
10. Appendix E.
11. A brief report on the working of the Naini Tal Water Works.
12. Sanitary Report.
13. Abstract of the Assembly Rooms account.
14. Report by the Electrical Engineer.

H. W. GILL,
Secretary.

J. M. CLAY,
Chairman.

Copy of Special Resolution No. 2 of a meeting of the Municipal Board of Naini Tal held on the 15th May 1925.

The statement and appendices to accompany the Annual Administration Report for the year ending 31st March 1925 to be considered and passed.

PASSED.

Copy of Special Resolution No. 3 of a meeting of the Municipal Board of Naini Tal held on the 15th May 1925.

Sanitary report for the year ending 31st March 1925 to be considered and passed.

PASSED.

H. W. GILL,
Secretary.

J. M. CLAY,
Chairman.

Form No. A.

Annual statement of Income and Expenditure for
the year ending 31st March 1925

OF

NAINI TAL MUNICIPALITY

FOR

1924-25.

Population— $\frac{16,517 \text{ Summer.}}{10,392 \text{ Winter.}}$

Number of item	Hheads of income.	Actuals of the previous year, 1923-24.	Budget Estimate for the current year, 1924-25.	Actuals for the current year, 1924-25.
1	2	3	4	5
		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
	<i>Brought forward</i> ...	4,14,809	4,66,081	4,87,049
	MISCELLANEOUS—			
40	Recoveries on account of services rendered to private individuals ...	24	5	59
41	Other items ...	14,629	3,500	3,958
42	Total ...	14,653	3,505	4,017
43	TOTAL INCOME OF YEAR EXCLUDING OPEN- ING BALANCE... ...	4,29,462	4,69,586	4,91,066
	EXTRAORDINARY AND DEBT—			
48	Advance—Permanent ...	190	46	46
50	Deposits ...	1,005	1,600	1,685
51	Total ...	1,195	1,646	1,731
52	TOTAL RECEIPTS EXCLUDING OPENING BALANCE ...	4,30,657	4,71,232	4,92,797
53	TOTAL RECEIPTS INCLUDING OPENING BALANCE ...	6,31,607	6,26,610	6,48,175
53(a)	TOTAL EXCLUDING HYDRO-ELECTRIC RECEIPTS AND OPENING BALANCE ...	4,12,939	4,23,359	4,39,586
54	Incidence of taxation (item 11) per head of population ...	Rs. A P. 14 2 9	Rs. A. P. 13 14 8	Rs. A. P. 14 7 6
55	Incidence of income (item 43) per head of population... ...	26 0 0	28 6 10	29 11 8

Hydro-Electric receipts and opening balance—

Opening balance
Item 24 (a)
Item 31

Rs.

25,951
1,52,638
30,000
Total ... 2,08,589

Number of item.	Heads of expenditure.	Actuals of the previous year, 1923-24.	Budget Estimate for the current year, 1924-25.	Actuals for the current year, 1924-25.
1	2	3	4	5
		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
	GENERAL ADMINISTRATION AND COLLECTION CHARGES—			
1	General administration (office establishment, inspection, honorary magistrate's establishment, etc) ...	13,526	13,500	13,661
2	Collection of taxes including bonded warehouses (establishment, purchase of account-books and paper, money boxes, repairs to outposts, etc.) ..	1,618	1,950	1,917
3	Collection of tolls on roads and ferries ...	7,776	10,000	8,986
4	Survey of land (Town Improvement) ..	11	2,900	...
5	Refunds (other than octroi) ...	838	350	246
	Total ...	23,769	28,700	24,810
	PUBLIC SAFETY—			
8	Fire (establishment, purchase of fire engines, buckets, repairs, etc.) ...	345	...	...
9	Lighting (establishment, purchase of lamps, oil, repairs, etc.) ...	18,691	21,100	21,079
	Total ...	19,036	21,100	21,079
	PUBLIC HEALTH AND CONVENIENCE—			
12	Water Supply { Capital outlay ...	742	11,107	2,019
13	{ Establishment, repairs, etc., ...	82,104	50,000	43,433
14	Drainage { Capital outlay ...	480	2,520	426
15	{ Establishment, repairs, etc. ...	8,503	2,000	320
16	Conservancy (including road cleaning and watering and latrines)—			
	(a) Subordinate establishment ...	39,543	41,000	38,686
	(b) Cost and feed of live stock ...	802	1,600	1,213
	(c) Plant and contingencies ...	2,373	4,000	4,310
	(d) Road watering ...	10	...	...
	Total carried over ...	1,34,557	1,12,227	90,407
	Carried over ...	42,805	49,800	45,889

Number of item	Heads of expenditure.	Actuals of the previous year, 1923-24	Budget Estimate for the current year, 1924-25.	Actuals for the current year, 1924-25.
1	2	3	4	5
		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
	<i>Brought forward</i> ...	42,805	49,800	45,889
	<i>do.</i> ...	1,34,557	1,12,227	90,407
17	Charges on account of health officers and sanitary inspectors ...	7,672	8,250	8,222
18	Hospitals and dispensaries ...	6,982	11,200	5,826
20	Vaccination ...	700	800	711
21	Other sanitary requirements ...	4,690	49,430	2,661
22	Markets and slaughter-houses ...	5,297	1,300	563
23	Pounds ...	36	50	44
24	Dak bungalows and sarais ...	650	100	42
25	Arboriculture, public gardens and experimental cultivation ...	931	1,800	1,482
26	Veterinary charges ...	1,987	2,000	1,856
28	{ Establishment ...	5,862	6,000	5,855
29	{ Buildings ...	1,363	8,000	4,923
30	<i>Public Works.</i> { Roads ...	22,716	50,000	43,106
31	{ Stores ...	1,756	1,000	580
31 (a)	Hydro-Electric construction ...	41,000	...	...
31 (b)	Hydro-Electric maintenance ...	70,901	82,483	72,290
	Total ...	3,07,100	3,34,645	2,43,568
	PUBLIC INSTRUCTION—			
32	Schools and Colleges ...	4,499	5,150	4,558
32(a)	Construction and repair of school buildings	19	3,000	1,800
35	Total ...	4,518	8,150	6,358
	<i>Carried over</i> ...	3,54,423	3,92,595	2,95,815

Number of item.	Heads of expenditure.		Actuals of the previous year, 1923-24.	Budget Estimate for the current year, 1924-25.	Actuals for the current year, 1924-25.
1	2		3	4	5
	<i>Brought forward</i> ...		Rs. 3,54,423	Rs. 3,92,595	Rs. 2,95,815
	CONTRIBUTIONS*—				
36	For general purpose ...		2,117	2,117	2,117
	MISCELLANEOUS—				
37	Interest on loans.	Interest due on account of			
		H. E. loans ...	80,816	80,816	80,816
38	Interest on loans.	Interest due on account of			
		current year ...	5,676	4,877	4,877
40	Actual cost of work done for private individuals ...			50	31
41	Other items.	Printing charges ...	3,455	3,000	2,430
41(a)		Law charges ...	75	100	...
41(b)		Provident fund ...	3,775	3,500	1,550
41(c)		Government share of nazul proceeds ...	209	210	282
41(d)		Rents ...	896	3,000	3,004
41(f)		Miscellaneous ...	4,658	9,500	7,127
43	Total ...		99,560	1,05,053	1,00,117
44	TOTAL EXPENDITURE ...		4,56,100	4,99,765	3,98,049
	EXTRAORDINARY AND DEBT—				
48	Re-payment of loans ...		19,684	20,483	20,483
49	Advances.—Permanent ...		110	20	20
51	Deposits ...		335	1,000	917
52	Total ...		20,129	21,503	21,420
53	TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS ...		4,76,229	5,21,268	4,19,460
	Excluding Hydro Electric Items 31(b) & 37.		2,83,512	3,57,964	2,66,363
55	Actual balances ...		1,55,378	1,05,342	2,28,706
	Do. excluding Hydro-Electric.		1,29,427	65,395	1,73,223
56	Total ...		1,55,378	1,05,342	2,28,706
57	GRAND TOTAL ...		6,31,607	6,26,610	6,48,175
59	Permanent advance ...		1,000	1,000	800

Hydro Electric Expenditure.

Item 31(a)	...	...	...	Nil
Item 31(b)	...	...	...	Rs. 72,290
Item 37	...	...	...	80,816
Total	...	...	...	1,53,106

H. W. GILL,
Secretary.

J. M. CLAY,
Chairman.

Note.—Outstanding on uncashed cheques at the close of the year was Rs. 19,925. Receipts for 31st March 1925 credited (vide G. O. No. 1825/XI-10 H. dated the 1st November 1919) on 1st April 1925 was Rs. 3,109.

I hereby certify that the closing balance at the credit of Naini Tal Municipality at the end of March 1925 is Rs. 2,40,522-0-5 Two lacs forty thousand five hundred twenty-two, and pies five.

NAINI TAL:
The 18th April 1925. }

J. S. GROSE,
Treasury Officer.

Hydro-Electric balance sheet for the year ending 31st March 1925.

RECEIPTS.				EXPENDITURE.			
	Heads of Income.	Amount.	Total.		Amount.	Total.	
		Rs.	Rs.		Rs.	Rs.	
	Opening balance ...		25,951				
1	Sale of current for Private lighting.	52,621		1.	Work extension ...	13,319	
2	Sale of current for Power ...	3,160		2.	Maintenance :—		
3	Receipts from Bazar contract system.	7,462			(a) Fixed establishment ...	30,711	
4	Meter rent ...	4,257			(b) Contingencies ...	2,766	
5	Service line rent ...	2,380		3.	Generation :—		
6	Temporary lights ...	667			(a) Oil waste and other stores	3,203	
7	Work done for private individuals	292			(b) Repairs to Machinery ...	674	
8	Miscellaneous receipts ...	1,406			(c) „ „ Pipe line ...	287	
9	Recoveries against house wiring loan advances.	{ 2,528 761			(d) „ „ Buildings ...	600	
10	Credits :—				(e) „ „ Head Works ...	217	
	(a) Public street lighting	21,000			(f) Other items ...	22	
	(b) Power for driving water	20,316		4.	Sub-Station :—		
11	Unspent balance of loan refunded by Public Health Dept.	35,788	1,52,638		(a) Oil waste and other stores	357	
12	Government grant towards repayment and interest of loans.	30,000	30,000		(b) Repairs to Plant ...	58	
					(c) „ „ Buildings ...	20	
				5.	Mains :—		
					(a) Line material and repairs ..	10,358	
					(c) Meter repairs ...	34	
				6.	Refunds ...	103	
				7.	Rent ...	282	
				8.	Auxiliary Pump Balia Ravine :—		
					(a) Oil waste and other stores	323	
				9.	House wiring ...	8,956	72,290
				10.	Repayment and interest on loans	80,816	80,816
					Closing balance ...		55,483
	Total ...		2,08,589		Total ...		2,08,589

H. W. GILL,
Secretary.

J. M. CLAY,
Chairman.

FORM B.

MUNICIPALITY OF NAINI TAL.

Statement of Expenditure on Original Works during the year 1924-25.

Serial Number.	Nature of works.	Total amount of estimated cost.	Amount expended in previous year.	Amount allotted in the year under report.	Amount expended during the year of report.	REMARKS.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	Collection of Tolls.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
1	Special repairs to St. Loe Toll Bar Chauki	637	...	637	476	Completed.
	Survey of Land					
2	Repairs to nazul and municipal boundary pillars.	200	...	200	...	In progress.
3	Town Improvement ...	6,000	3,311	2,689	...	
	Water Supply Capital Outlay.					
4	Half cost of improvement of water supply.	7,500	...	7,500	78	do.
5	Any urgent unforeseen work ...	500	...	500	...	
6	Special repairs to water works out-houses...	2,264	...	2,264	1,642	Completed.
7	Improvement to the main building of the Water Works for Municipal Office.	1,080	742	338	95	do.
8	Special repairs to spring room at Water Works.	320	...	320	204	do.
9	Erection of a water pipe with tap in front of Hydro-electric Sub-Station at Sukha Tal.	185	...	185	...	
	Special Repairs to Drains.					
10	Special repairs to culverts and bazar drains	1,500	480	1,020	111	In progress.
11	Drain and fencing along link road between Ramsay and Haldwani roads.	354	...	354	315	Completed.
12	Special repairs to Bazar roads and drains...	1,146	...	1,146	...	In progress.
	Other Sanitary Requirements					
13	One urinal at North Mall below Y. M. C. A.	1,500	...	1,500	...	do.
14	One urinal at Cart-parao Malli Tal	1,000	...	1,000	...	do.
15	One urinal at South Mall near temple	700	...	700	...	do.
16	Enlarging the Woodbine Lodge water flushed latrine.	1,500	...	1,500	...	
17	Construction of incinerators: Dhobighat—924 Hotel Metropole—737.	1,661	483	1,178	505	Completed.
18	Half cost of a new 12" sewer pipe line	25,000	...	25,000	...	
19	Constructing two cattle-sheds at Malli Tal and Talli Tal Cart-parao.	4,148	...	4,148	...	In progress.

Form B.—(Continued.)

Serial Number.	Nature of works.	Total amount of estimated cost.	Amount expended in previous year.	Amount allotted in the year under report.	Amount expended during the year of report.	REMARKS.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
20	Improvements to bathing shed at Malli Tal	690	...	690	417	Completed.
21	Lake weeding	300	...	300	197	do.
22	Clearance of the lake in front of the temple	190	...	190	32	do.
23	Special repairs to the Kathbans sweepers' line.	630	...	630	544	do.
24	Raising the floor of temple-ghat ...	638	...	638	640	do.
	Urgent Sanitary Works.					
25	(a) Laying 6" half round pipes in the lane near Nath Sah's House.	1,000	...	1,000	326	do.
	(b) Erection of a trough at Malli Tal Cart-parao.					
26	Pony and dandy shed at Talli Tal ...	6,930	...	6,930	...	In progress.
27	Lake foreshore improvements ...	800	...	800	785	
27(a)	Improvements to the Talli Tal Motor Parao	3,316	...	3,316	...	do.
	Public Works Buildings.					
28	Accommodation to be provided in the new municipal office at Water Works for the Medical Officer of Health and Municipal Overseer's office.	5,900	...	5,900	3,466	do.
	Veterinary Charges.					
29	Making a bath room at Veterinary Hospital	232	...	232	188	Completed.
30	Constructing 5 kennels making half pucca and half kutcha in operation shed and making pucca floor in main building of Veterinary Hospital.	310	...	310	165	In progress.
	Public Works Roads.					
31	Road benches 15 at Rs. 35 each ...	525	...	525	553	Completed.
32	Special repairs to the fencing round the Volunteers' tennis court.	210	...	210	182	do.
33	Collection of Bajri over the flats ...	900	...	900	66	In progress.
34	Special repairs to the road notice boards ...	400	...	400	159	do.
35	Special monsoon repairs to municipal roads	4,500	...	4,500	4,500	Paid to P. W. D.
36	Enlarging the Motor parao Talli Tal ...	20,620	27	29,593	28,087	Completed.
37	Putting a railing on the wall at the back here Malli Tal.	2,621	2,068	553	307	do.

Form B.—(Concluded)

Serial Number.	Nature of works.	Total amount of estimated cost.	Amount expended in previous year.	Amount allotted in the year under report.	Amount expended during the year of report.	REMARKS.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	Schools and Colleges.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
38	Adding two rooms to Primary School Malli Tal.	2,788	—	2,788	1,773	In progress.
	Other Items, Miscellaneous.					
39	Special repairs to the band stand ...	484	—	484	—	do.
40	Fuel and Charcoal sheds Talli Tal and Malli Tal.	1,200	—	1,200	682	Completed.
41	Special repairs to Fuel and Charcoal godowns Talli Tal and Malli Tal.	313	161	152	—	Not taken in hand.
	Totals ...	1,21,692	7,272	1,14,420	46,515	

H. W. GILL,
Secretary.

J. M. CLAY,
Chairman.

APPENDIX A.

Statement showing the constitution of the Board for the Municipality of Naini Tal during the year ending 31st March 1925.

Division.		Name of district.		Serial number of municipality.	Name of municipality.	Act under which constituted.	Population within municipal limits.	PARTICULARS AS TO CHAIRMAN.				NUMBER OF MEMBERS OF BOARD.							Total number of meetings held including those specified in columns 19 and 20.	Number of meetings out of the total in column 18 which proved abortive for want of quorum.	Number of meetings out of the total in column 18 which were adjourned.	Average percentage of officials present at each meeting.	Average percentage of non-officials present at each meeting.	Average percentage of all members present at each meeting.	REMARKS.																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																							
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APPENDIX B.

Statement showing the expenditure on, and the condition of, all schools maintained from, or aided by the Municipal Fund Naini Tal for the year 1924-25.

	1	2	NUMBER OF SCHOLARS ON ROLLS ON THE 31st MARCH 1925.						EXPENDITURE FROM MUNICIPAL FUNDS.							REMARKS.	
			Number of schools or training classes.														
			In English schools.	In training classes	In vernacular middle classes.	In upper primary classes of vernacular schools.	In lower primary classes of vernacular schools.	In other special schools.	Cost of teachers.	Contingencies, etc.	Inspection.	Scholarships.	Contribution to district board.	Grants-in-aid.	Total recurring expenditure.	Buildings and occasional repairs.	
									Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
Intra-municipal schools managed by municipal or district board.																	
Municipal Primary schools.	1	...	...	...	27	108	...	2,661	47	...	...	...	...	2,708	1800	Includes pay of Chankidar at Rs. 12 per month =Rs. 144.	
Total	...	1	...	...	...	37	108	...	2,661	47	...	...	...	...	2,708	1800	
Intra-municipal colleges and schools aided by municipal board.																	
Preparatory schools	...	1	...	...	...	...	77	...	...	...	...	...	...	1150	1,150	...	Includes Rs. 150 contributed by the Naini Tal Cantonment for the 3 years ending 31st March 1925 towards the maintenance of the Diamond Jubilee Branch School.
Total	...	1	...	...	...	...	77	...	...	...	...	...	...	1150	1,150	...	
Total, boys' education	...	2	...	...	...	27	185	...	...	...	...	...	...	1150	3,858	...	
Girls' schools aided by municipal board.																	
Primary schools	...	2	...	...	...	...	*108	...	...	...	...	...	...	700	700	...	* Mission Girls' School Malli Tal 45. Mission Girls' School Talli Tal 63.
Total, girls' schools	...	2	108	700	700	...	
Total expenditure from municipal funds.	2,661	47	1850	4,558	800	

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J. M. CLAY,
Chairman.

APPENDIX

Statement showing the demand, collections, remissions and outstanding balance of each

No.	Name of Municipality.	Tax on houses and lands.		Water rate and sale of water.		Conservancy rates and receipts		Rent of lands.		Fees and revenue from markets.		Toll tax.	
		Demand.		Collections.		Demand.		Collections.		Demand.		Collections.	
		Arrear.	Current.	Arrear.	Current.	Arrear.	Current.	Arrear.	Current.	Arrear.	Current.	Arrear.	Current.
	Naini Tal.	2,328											
		64,035											
		2,003											
		62,397											
		3,423											
		71,254											
		2,935											
		67,793											
		4,103											
		56,131											
		3,350											
		51,766											
		366											
		8,806											
		305											
		8,491											
		1											
		6,718											
		1											
		6,900											
		6											
		1,575											
		6											
		1,183											

H. W. GILL,
Secretary.

BB.

Municipality in United Provinces on account of municipal dues for the year 1924-25.

Miscellaneous.		Elec. energy &c.		Total.				Percentage of collections to demand.	Percentage of remissions to demand.	REMARKS.
Demand.	Collec- tions.	Demand.	Collec- tions.	Demand.	Collections.	Remissions.	Outstanding balance.			
731	Arrear.									
4,995	Current.									
546	Arrear.									
3,165	Current.									
3,701	Arrear.									
67,125	Current.									
3,508	Arrear.									
63,990	Current.									
14,598	Arrear.									
2,79,929	Current.									
2,94,527	Total.									
12,743	Arrear.									
2,65,388	Current.									
2,78,131	Total.									
951	Arrear.									
:	Current.									
951	Total.									
15,445	Outstanding balance.									
94.43	Percentage of collections to demand.									
32	Percentage of remissions to demand.									

J. M. CLAY,
Chairman.

APPENDIX C.

Showing expenditure on water-works and sewerage and drainage works in the Naini Tal Municipality for the year 1924-25.

WATER WORKS.				SEWERAGE AND DRAINAGE WORKS.			
Nature of charges.	Budget allotment.	Amount of expenditure.	Total.	Nature of charges.	Budget allotment.	Amount of expenditure.	Total.
1.—Establishment—				2.—Construction—			
(a) Permanent establishment		10,531		(a) Sewers ...	25,000		
(b) Office contingencies ...		202	10,733	(b) Surface drains ...	2,520	426	
2.—Pumping—				3.—Repairs—			
(a) Coal ...		3,265		(b) Surface drains ...	2,000	320	
Current ...		20,316		(c) Latrines ...	1,500		
(b) Oil and waste ...		488					
(c) Other stores ...	50,000	308	24,377				
4.—Settling tanks and filters—							
(b) Clearing and renewing filter beds ...		37	37				
5.—Distribution—							
(a) Pipes and fittings ...		4,730					
(b) Meters ...		68	4,798				
6.—Repairs—							
(b) To buildings and grounds		620					
(c) To machinery ...		2,148	2,768				
7.—Water analysis ...		720	720				
Total ...	50,000		43,433	Total ...	31,020	746	

H. W. GILL,
Secretary.

J. M. CLAY,
Chairman.

APPENDIX D.
WATER WORKS.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS DURING THE YEAR 1924-1925.

<i>Population.</i>							
By census of 1921 in municipality	...	...	...	...	...	...	16,517
Ditto cantonment	...	...	...	...	...	...	802
Total						...	17,319
<i>Cost of works.</i>							
Initial capital cost	...	...	...	...	...	Rs. ...	2,47,000
Cost of extensions and improvements to end of previous year	...	...	...	...	...	" ...	4,23,585
Ditto ditto during the year	...	...	...	...	...	" ...	2,019
Total cost of works						" ...	6,72,604
<i>Consumption of filtered water.</i>							
During year including cantonment...	...	...	...	...	...	Gallons ...	30,282,900
Daily average ditto	...	...	...	...	...	" ...	82,740
Maximum daily average in any one month	...	...	...	...	...	" ...	2,04,670
Daily average for cantonment alone	...	...	...	...	...	" ...	6,345
Average number of hours filtered water pumped daily	...	...	...	...	...	" ...	891
<i>Annual charges and receipts.</i>							
Maintenance charges	...	...	...	...	...	Rs. ...	43,433
Total charges with interest and payment of loan						{ Maintenance charges, 43,433. Interest and loan repayment, 23,014.	66,447
<i>Income from water works.</i>							
Water-rate recovered during year	...	...	...	...	...	Rs. ...	44,040
Sale of water and other receipts	...	...	...	...	...	" ...	31,655
Total, income						" ...	75,695
<i>Number of house connection at end of year.</i>							
For purely domestic purposes	...	...	...	...	...	...	277
For other purposes	...	...	...	...	...	...	24
Total						...	301
Number of connections with meters						...	296

NOTE.—1. The yield from H. L. Gravity supply springs was 23,262,500 gallons approximately.
2. Average number of hours waters Pumped daily—summer months 12·81, other months 6·2.

H. W. GILL,
Secretary.

J. M. CLAY,
Chairman.

APPENDIX E.

Statement of expenditure from non-recurring grants and loans for the year ending 31st March 1925.

Particulars of loan or grant (authority, purpose and amount.)	Amount taken up to the end of last year.	Amount received during the year under report.	Total.	Expenditure up to the end of last year.	Expenditure in the year under report.	Total.	Balance of amount taken up to date left unexpended.	Remarks.
	Rs.		Rs.	Rs.		Rs.	Rs.	
Government grant for Hydro-electric Scheme and improvement to Water-supply G. O. No. 1031/XI, 491-E, dated 4th July 1920 and Board of Public Health's No. 446 R. P. H. 27 of 20th April 1922.	3,50,000							
First loan for the Hydro-electric Scheme and improvement to Water-supply construction of Rs. 9.82 lacs 6% p. a. repayable in 30 years G. O. No. 2192/XI-451-E, dated 22nd December 1920 and 126/XI-451-E, of 22nd January 1921.		Nil	23,02,000	22,82,049	8,956	22,91,005	10,995	Of the balance available Rs. 6,693 is on account of House wiring and Meter purchase loan and Rs. 40,090 represents the balance on the scheme.
			Refunded by P.H.D.		...	35,788	35,788	
			Net Expenditure		...	22,55,217	46,783	
Second loan for the Hydro-electric Scheme and improvement to Water-supply construction of 9 lacs 7% p. a. repayable in 30 years and House wiring and Meter purchase loan Rs. 70,000 7% p. a. repayable in 10 years.	19,52,000							
Carrying out the preliminary proposals for improvements to Malli Tal and Wilsongauj bazars G. O. No. 1780 M XI-513E, dated 16th September 1921.	6,000	Nil	6,000	3,311	...	5,311	2,689	
Government grant for the "Bandh" in the Ballia Ravine.	6,000	Nil	6,000	...	4,192	4,192	1,808	Balance transferred to works (Pillars supporting Power pipe line across the Ballia Ravine and Floor below Talli Tal Bridge Arches) necessitated for the construction of the "Bandh" and to stores issued from the stock.

H. W. GILL,
Secretary.

J. M. CLAY,
Chairman.

Report on Water Works 1924-'25.

1. I was in charge of the engines and boilers and the distribution system throughout the year. The steam and electric plants at pumping station were inspected by the Mechanical Engineer to Government, U. P., in September 1924 who was satisfied generally with their condition and working.

2. *Pump House Steam Plant.* This plant has not been used during the year and as there has been no wear and tear since the last repairs carried out under the supervision of Mr. Hodgen, the inspection of it by Messrs. Worthington Simpsons Engineer was not considered necessary.

3. *Boilers.* These were inspected by the Government Inspector in November last. On his recommendations the tubes of all the 5 boilers were cleared of the hard lime crust. Pins of levers of safety valves were replaced with brass pins and the pressure gauges marked with a red line at the sanctioned scale of the pressure. The United Provinces boilers Nos. were engraved on brass plates fixed to the boilers.

4. *Pump House Electric Plant.* No 1 set was opened up for Mechanical Engineer's inspection. The plant was generally in good working order after the great strain put upon it during the dry months. The main bearings and connecting rod brasses of the High Zone pumps were opened up and adjusted. The gudgeon pins of the cross heads were trued up. The vibration on the brush gear of No. 5 motor has now disappeared and on No. 6 motor is much better and will, as the gears get bedded in, disappear in the near future. The centrifugal pumps were opened up in May 1924 and found in good order.

5. *Distribution System.* This has worked well. The H. I. gravity supply mains were kept in good repair. The connection from the Lake Engine to Chlorine Plant is in working order. The Ayarpatta Rising main 4 " gave trouble and the water had to be diverted from Tonnochy Reservoir for domestic purposes of the Ayarpatta sub-district.

There were water complaints during the 2nd week of June 1924 and again in January 1925. The latter were due to severe frosts experienced during the winter. The situation on both the occasions was as far as possible well handled by the distribution staff.

6. *Water Analyses.* The reports were generally satisfactory. The tanks and cisterns were cleaned out periodically to give a wholesome supply of water. Bad reports were attended to and steps taken to clean out the infected cistern or sources of the water supply. My proposals to augment the water supply have been accepted by the Board and it is hoped to have the new plant in working order in June, depending upon delivery of the pump and motor. Should a water shortage occur, as last year, the Lakeside Steam Pumps will be put into operation in conjunction with the new Chloronome water sterilizing plant.

7. *Receipts & Expenditure.* These are shown below as compared with the previous year:—

Receipts.

		1924-25	1923-24
(a) Water tax	Rs.	44,040	41,919
(b) Sale of excess water	" "	26,797	21,981
(c) Rent of meters	" "	1,990	2,014
(d) Other items	" "	2,868	2,019
	Total	75,695	67,933

Expenditure.

(e) Capital Outlay	2,019	742
(f) Establishment, repairs, &c.	43,433	82,104
(g) Repayment of loan & interest	23,014	23,014
	<u>68,466</u>	<u>105,860</u>
Total	68,466	105,860

(h) Surplus of the year's working Rs. 7,229 as against a deficit of Rs. 37,927 (inclusive of capital outlay items) of the previous years.

The total receipts increased by Rs. 7,762 as compared with the previous years of which a certain proportion was due to the augmentation of the supply in June from the lake through the old chlorine plant, which worked fairly well, but required a lot of supervision.

Licenses for watering gardens have this dry season been refused and water for gardens can now only be used through a meter. This has had the effect of greatly reducing the wastage which has in the past been high. In the year 1921-22 sixty-six per cent of the supply was distributed at a loss of 1687 annas per 1000 gallons. A very strict watch is kept on the system generally and has had the effect of increasing the water sales and reducing wastage, as the water supply from the springs is not sufficient for the normal needs of the station when full.

J. M. CLAY,
Chairman,
City Board, Naini Tal.

H. B. CHANTREY,
Electrical Engineer,
City Board, Naini Tal.

SANITARY REPORT OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF NAINI TAL FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st MARCH 1925.

[One copy to be transmitted direct to the Director of Public Health on or before the 30th April.]

	A N S W E R S .
1. State the total annual income excluding the opening balance, the opening balance, the receipts from conservancy and the expenditure on conservancy during the year.	<p style="text-align: right;">Rs.</p> <p>1. Total annual income excluding opening balance 4,91,066</p> <p>The opening balance ... 1,55,378</p> <p>The receipts from conservancy ... 55,686</p> <p>The expenditure on conservancy ... 44,209</p> <p>(Item 16 of the balance sheet).</p>
2. State briefly the chief sanitary defects, the remedial measures adopted and new projects under contemplation.	<p>2. (I) <i>Chief defects.</i></p> <p>The difficulty of the disposal of refuse and unsatisfactory sewerage still exist.</p> <p>(II) Majority of the bazar houses and of Wilsongunj area are in deplorable condition on account of space, being old and unhygienically built.</p> <p>(III) There is a shortage of public urinals and latrines.</p> <p>(VI) The out-houses and latrines, being of old type of many bungalows are also in insanitary condition.</p> <p>(V) The water supply for flushing purposes is also inadequate.</p> <p><i>The remedial measures adopted.</i></p> <p>(I) More refuse carts and incinerators are being utilised for the disposal of rubbish and where possible the question of burning refuse is resorted to on a larger scale.</p> <p>Sewerage improvement has been recommended to the higher authorities. The existing sewer which is of small diameter has been thoroughly scraped, cleaned and flushed.</p> <p>(II) Every encouragement for hygienic type of houses is given and ventilation improved. A new scheme for building more houses in bazar is in hand.</p> <p>(III) These are to be shortly built in suitable places.</p> <p>(IV) The attention of the persons concerned is drawn and adequate steps are being taken.</p> <p>(V) To remedy this, suitable arrangements are being made by the Board.</p>
3. State briefly the Sanitary works executed of in progress during the year including :—	3.
(a) Sewage and drainage—	(a)
(1) Number of house connections for sullage and sewage.	(1) Nil.
(2) Improvements to sewage or drainage.	<p>(2) Sewerage—A new sewer pipe line was put in at Bara Bazar. Repairs to the service tanks were done.</p> <p>Drainage—New drains at Betel Lane and between Ramsay and Haldwani Road were constructed. Special repairs to the culverts and Bazar drains were carried out.</p>

A N S W E R S .

<p>(b) Improvements to <i>water supply</i> with the number of new house connections.</p> <p>(c) Improvements to conservancy, namely—Number of public and private water-borne latrines.</p> <p>(d) Improvements to <i>sitz</i>, and</p>	<p>(b) A water pipe with tap at Sukha Tal was erected. Special repairs to the spring room at water works was done. A new chlorine plant has been ordered to replace an old one.</p> <p>14 new house connections were made during the year.</p> <p>(c) Nil.</p> <p>3 (d) (I) Enlarging and improvement to Motor Parao Talli Tal.</p> <p>(II) Raising the floor of Temple-ghat.</p> <p>(III) Erection of a water trough at Malii Tal Cart-Parao.</p> <p>(IV) Putting railings on the wall at the back lane Malli Tal.</p> <p>(V) Erection of improved type of houses along North Mall Road and in the various parts of bazar and the city.</p> <p>(VI) Special repairs to the fencing round the Volunteers' Club Tennis Court.</p>
<p>(e) <i>Any other</i> improvements that may have been effected.</p>	<p>3 (e) (I) Improvements to the bathing shed Malli Tal.</p> <p>(II) Fencing along link road between Ramsay and Haldwani Road.</p> <p>(III) Clearance of the lake in front of the Temple.</p> <p>(IV) Weeding of the lake.</p> <p>(V) Improvements to the lake fore-shore.</p> <p>(VI) Special repairs to the sweepers' line.</p> <p>(VII) Special repairs to the bazar roads and drains.</p> <p>(VIII) Improvements to the Veterinary Hospital.</p> <p>(IX) Improvement to the fuel and charcoal sheds.</p>
<p>4. How the refuse and night soil are removed and disposed of?</p> <p>(a) The places appointed under section 273.</p> <p>(b) The number and pattern of public latrine seats for males and females in working order.</p> <p>(c) The number and pattern of urinals and dust-bins.</p> <p>(d) The number and pattern of private latrines in use, and</p> <p>(e) Total number of cesspits, approximate amount of sullage per day and the number of carts used for removal.</p>	<p>4. The refuse is partly carted away and thrown into khuds outside the inhabited area and partly incinerated.</p> <p>Night-soil is carried to pail depots in closed buckets and thence ultimately disposed of at Ruusi Sewage Farm.</p> <p>(a) There are eight pail depots where night-soil is disposed of, and there are nine incinerators of old pattern and 12 of new design where rubbish is burnt.</p> <p>(b) 84 male seats water flushed. 35 " " Gumla type. 22 Female seats water flushed. 8 " " Gumla type.</p> <p>(c) There are eight urinals, seven of them are of no special type while one urinal is water flushed. The dustbins are of open masonry type excepting four of which are of new design.</p> <p>(d) 859 latrines are of kadamcha type. A few are of Hornbury type. There are four water flushed latrines.</p> <p>(e) Almost every latrine and kitchen of the bungalows has cesspits for its sullage. These cesspits are emptied by buckets and the sullage is carried to the pail depots. The amount of sullage is not known.</p>

A N S W E R S .

5. State the number of notices issued under sections 186, 192, 211, 245, 267, 268, 269, 278 and 284 and the number complied with under each section.

6. State if bye-laws have been made under the following heads of section 298 A, B, C, D, E, (c), F, G, I, and J, (a), (b), (d).

7. State the number of cases prosecuted under the Adulteration of Food and Drugs Acts and the results.

8. Give a brief note on the—

(a) General health of the people,

(b) particularly of any outbreak of epidemic disease during the year, with date of commencement and termination, the methods adopted to control the epidemic, and arrangements for isolation of infectious cases,

(c) the number of children born and the number of deaths under one year of age from 1st January to 31st December, and

(d) the areas which record the highest death rates.

5. Section 192 one. (complied with).
211 one. do.
267-510. (80 per cent complied with).
278 one. (complied with).

6. Nil.

7. Nine cases were prosecuted and fined Rs. 315.

8.

(a) The general health of the people was very good.

(b) There was no Epidemic of any special kind. But there were nine imported and isolated cases of smallpox and four cases of chickenpox, all at the end of the year. All these cases were isolated to the Manora Epidemic Hospital and were treated there.

(c) The number of children born was 329 and the number of deaths under one year of age was 59.

(d) Malli Tal and Talli Tal bazars.

General remarks.

Every effort was made to keep the sanitary condition of the city to the very high standard and all complaints coming from any quarter were promptly attended to.

The deficiency of pure water which occurred during the season time, was promptly met by ample supply of chlorinated water, so much so that the public was supplied with sufficient quantity of water to meet all its want, as in the ordinary course of circumstances.

Sanitary inspection reports on Naini Tal Municipality made by the Assistant Director of Public Health, U. P., were thoroughly gone into by the Public Health Committee and the Board; and necessary actions were taken where possible.

I thank all the members of the Public Health Committee for their kind help.

J. M. CLAY,

Chairman.

K. L. KAPUR, D.P.H.,

Medical Officer of Health.

Abstract of Assembly Rooms Account for the year ending 31st March 1925.

RECEIPTS.	Amount.	Total.	EXPENDITURE.	Amount.	Total.
	Rs.	Rs.		Rs.	Rs.
By Balance in hand on 1st April 1924		1,058	Pay of Establishment	578	
„ Rent of Library for the second half year 1923 and first half year 1924	600		Fine policy	377	
„ Rent of Central Hall and North-wing for 1924-1925	1,650		Minimax	69	
„ Rent from Mr. C. Wyatt Miles (Palace Cinema) in part for the seasons 1923 and 1924	2,467		Annual repairs	249	
„ Rent of rooms Ayaspatta-wing for the second half year 1923 and first half year 1924	600		Government Land Tax	1	
„ Miscellaneous receipts	14	5,331	Dividend to Debenture-holders	2,155	
			Advertisement	56	
			Uniform for Orderly	18	
			Miscellaneous	5	3,5
			Balance on 31st March 1925		2,8
Total		6,389	Total		6

H. W. GILL,
Secretary.

J. M. CLAY,
Chairman.

Hydro-electric Annual Report 1924-25.

Generating Station.—There is nothing in this connection in respect of machinery and buildings except the trouble with the voltage regulator. The Public Health Department has taken up the matter with the makers and it is expected this will be put in order as early as possible. The spare parts have been ordered. The establishment at Power House has been reorganised and this reorganisation effects a saving of Rs. 110 per month.

Pipe-line.—The Pipe Line is in good order, except that there are occasional leaks in the joints, which are always repaired immediately. Arrangements are being made to provide a screen at the Intake to prevent the passing of any weeds or similar rubbish through the pipes.

Distribution System.—There is nothing to complain. The system is working satisfactorily since August 1922. The distribution line from near Messrs. Whiteaways to St. Loe Gorge was altered to increase the voltage at the P. S. College, with the result that 44 insulators and brackets and 1190 lbs. of copper wire was brought on to stock. Guarding of Telephone and Telegraph crossings is in progress and will soon be completed. Everything throughout the whole scheme is in first class order. The appended is a list of consumers to March 31st 1925.

Metered System	..	..	..	395.
Contract System	..	..	..	333.
Power and heating	..	..	..	44.

Road Lighting.—The Road Lighting is reduced to about half from October 15th to April 15th, to conserve the lake water.

Head-works.—A pump has been installed at Ballia Ravine and the seepage water is now being pumped to the lake. It has helped considerably to keep up the level of the lake.

Extensions.—The survey of Bahawali, Bhim Tal and Haldwani extensions have been completed estimates are under preparation.

General.—B. Saugram Singh, Mains Superintendent, B. Bishambhar Dayal, Overseer, B. Deb Singh (Water Works Dept.) and B. Shib Datt, Electrical Engineer's clerk on the staff have worked hard and deserve the utmost credit.

J. M. CLAY, I. C. S.,
Chairman.

H. B. CHANTREY,
Electrical Engineer.

From

J. R. Pearson Esqr. C.I.E., I.C.S.,

Commissioner, Kumaon Division.

To

THE CHAIRMAN,

Municipal Board,

NAINI TAL.

Dated, Naini Tal, the 4th August 1924.

SIR,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of the Annual Administration Report of the Naini Tal Municipality for the year ending 31st March 1924 submitted as your No. 1551/I-3 dated the 20th June 1924 and of the printed copy of the report dated the 21st July 1924, which has just come to hand, with the following remarks:—

2. The net ordinary income is given in para 6 as Rs. 3,03,000, but some adjustments would appear to be necessary in order to arrive at the true recurring income. The recurring grant for sanitary purposes mentioned in para 12 has been excluded, but a sum of Rs. 8,478 mentioned in para 6 as refunded by the P. W. D. owing to provincilization of municipal drains is included. The true recurring income, therefore, would appear to be about Rs. 3,01,000.

Financial Results.

3. The recurring ordinary expenditure appears to be correctly stated though it should have been explained that the item No. 37 Rs. 80,816 repayments of the Hydro-electric scheme loan includes instalments both of interest and principal. Repayments of principal entered against item 48 are on account of the water works and market loans only. The total recurring expenditure, Rs. 2,83,000 includes Rs. 20,000 on account of original works shown in statement B, Rs. 7,000 of which is debited to item 30 public works roads mainly on account of special repairs. A number of other items are small and should probably be classified as ordinary expenditure on upkeep. Roughly it would seem that about Rs. 10,000 has been spent on original works proper or repairs of special nature.

4. This being so it would appear that Board has under present conditions a margin of Rs. 30,000 for original works, special repairs and reserve.

5. The accounts are however complicated by the expenditure of about Rs. 40,000 on coal out of Rs. 82,000 shown as spent on water works in para 15 of the report. The deficit given in para 15 of the report is Rs. 37,000. I understand that actually when pumping is fully carried out by electric power there will be a material reduction in this deficit. The figures for the current year (24-25) are income Rs. 65,000, expenditure on upkeep and loan instalments Rs. 77,000, deficit Rs. 12,000. The deficit in 22-23 was Rs. 35,000. It would seem, therefore, that the Hydro-electric scheme does save the board about Rs. 20,000 under this head after debiting it with a fair charge for power consumed.

6. Actually the budget for the current year estimated for ordinary income of Rs. 2,83,000 and expenditure Rs. 2,71,000 including Rs. 31,000 for original works. The estimated income is about Rs. 18,000 below the actuals for the current year mainly owing to higher income received from tolls, conservancy tax, water rate and sale of water and house tax. The expenditure excluding original works is Rs. 2,40,000 against actuals in the current year, Rs. 2,63,000 the difference as noted above being mainly owing to savings in pumping. The general conclusion would appear to be that apart from the Hydro-electric scheme the finances of the Board are in pretty flourishing condition and a fair margin is available for original works and reserve. A cautious estimate would be Income Rs. 2,90,000, Expenditure Rs. 2,50,000 + Rs. 10,000 for normal petty works = Rs. 2,60,000. Balance for original works and reserve Rs. 30,000.

Collection of Municipal dues.

7. The outstanding balances at the end of the year were about Rs. 10,500, an increase of about Rs. 2,500, but it is reported that over Rs. 5,000 of this balance has since been recovered. According to the accounts the water rate and conservancy tax appear to be the most difficult to collect but judged by the standard of plains municipalities collections may be described as very full.

Hydro-electric Scheme.

8. The income shown in para 9 of the report Rs. 85,439 (item 24 (a) annual statement) includes credits from public lighting (item 9 expenditure side) and Rs. 11,403 out of item 13 water works upkeep. The full cost of maintenance of the scheme being debited to item 31 (b). This method of accounting facilitates abstraction of the Hydro-electric scheme accounts from the annual statement and seems preferable to that formerly in force in the Mussoorie Municipality, though accounts give no details of actual income received and these have had to be obtained separately from the Municipal Office. A copy of the statement is appended to this review. The expenditure shown in the statement item 31 (b) is Rs. 72,000 but this includes Rs. 14,000 on house wiring which might well have been debited to 31 (a). The real expenditure on upkeep was Rs. 57,000 leaving a margin of Rs. 28,000 available for repayment of loan instalments. Rs. 30,000 was received from Government and the balance of payments of loan instalments Rs. 23,000 was met from loan funds in hand.

The actual income for the year excluding book credits amounts to Rs. 55,000 of this Rs. 3,000 is from recoveries of house wiring instalments. The budget for the current year gives Rs. 60,000 including a similar amount. The sales of current for lighting are Rs. 5,000 below the current year's estimate but income from power and bazar contracts has already slightly exceeded the estimate.

The amounts involved are not large and there would seem little prospect of an actual income of more than Rs. 65,000 in the current year giving with book credits for public lighting and pumping Rs. 44,000 a total of about Rs. 1,10,000. The prospects of the scheme were discussed lately in the Chairman's note of 12th March, 1924, in which it was estimated that eventual income might rise to Rs. 1,58,000. It is clear that there will have to be considerable expansion before this income is attained to. His estimate of expenditure seems likely to prove correct.

The report draws attention to the fact that apart from balances in hand definitely earmarked for special purposes, the balance in municipal fund to the credit of the Hydro-electric loan only amounts at the end of the year to about Rs. 4,000. This on the assumption that the Board is entitled to debit recurring deficits in the working of the scheme to capital account and amounts in hand to credit of this. The Board is still receiving a grant of Rs. 30,000 from Government towards recurring expenditure and full loan instalments are not yet being paid though according to the latest orders of Government, the instalments

will be raised from Rs. 81,000 to Rs. 1,53,000 from the 1st January next. It is clear that a very great deal still remains to be done to put the scheme on a sound financial basis. The whole matter was recently referred to Government in April last in connection with the report of the Special Officer deputed to examine the working of the scheme.

9. As is reported in para 16 of the report some action has been taken to improve sanitation on the recommendations of the Public Health Department, but it is unsatisfactory to note that the Medical Officer of Health has not yet formulated general proposals on Major Murison's report of 1922 which was referred to him by the Public Health Committee in August that year. I understand that the Public Health Department has since submitted to the Board a further report on sanitary conditions. It seems very desirable that the Public Health Committee should examine this without further delay and insist on the early submission of proposals by their Health Officer. So far as my personal experience goes the general sanitation of Naini Tal is better than that of some other hill stations, but there is still much room for improvement. The Public Health Department of the Municipality enjoys exceptional advantages in the way of being able to communicate direct with the sanitary advisers to Government. Some of the recommendations made appear to involve very considerable expenditure and are perhaps impracticable for that reason. In other cases there appears to be misunderstanding as to actual conditions but I trust that there will be no further delay in dealing with the two reports in question and formulating practical proposals for improvements.

Health and Sanitation.

10. The accounts of the Board were audited in September 1923, and found in satisfactory condition though attention was drawn to the state of demand registers of the Hydro-electric scheme and other taxes. It has since been reported that defects brought to notice have been removed. Adequate action appears to have been taken on the note.

Audit Note.

11. Other departments of the Board's activities appear to be in good order and do not call for comment. From the point of view of public convenience the most important work the Board have in hand at present appears to be the enlargement of the Motor Parao near the motor terminus. Funds were allotted for this in the year under report and the work is in progress.

Your remarks on the works of individual members will be brought to the notice of Government. The Board suffered a great loss owing to the death of late Secretary, B. Abinashi Lal in August last, but has been very fortunate in securing the services of Mr. H. W. Gill as his successor.

I note with satisfaction the remarks made by you on the work of Mr. Chantrey, Electric Engineer, and other officials of the Board mentioned in para 27 and congratulate you on the efficient way in which the Board has carried out its duties under your able advice and guidance.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

J. B. PEARSON,

C. I. E., I. C. S.

Commissioner Kumaon Division.

HYDRO-ELECTRIC.

Statement showing the income and expenditure during the year ending 31st March 1924.

RECEIPTS.			EXPENDITURES.		
Heads of income.	Amount.	Total.	Heads of Expenditure.	Amount.	Total.
Opening Balance	...	97,229	Works extension	1,962	...
Sale of current for private lighting	38,973	...	Maintenance:—	...	...
Sale of current for power	1,468	...	(a) Fixed establishment	29,274	...
Receipt from the Bazar contract system	6,461	...	(b) Contingencies	3,179	...
Meter rent	2,812	...	Generation:—	...	...
Service line rent	2,055	...	(a) Oil waste and other stores	5,719	...
Temporary lights	539	...	(b) Repairs to machinery	487	...
Works done for private individuals	74	...	(c) Repairs to pipe-line	2,179	...
Miscellaneous receipts	50	...	(d) Repairs to buildings	568	...
Recoveries against House wiring loan advances	3,121	...	(e) Repairs to Head-works (intake)	15	...
		...	(f) Other items	136	...
CREDITS:—					
(a) Public street lighting	18,478	85,439	Sub-stations:—	161	...
(b) Power for driving water	71,403	...	(a) Oil waste and other stores	...	...
Government grant towards the repayment and interest of loans	30,000	...	(b) Repairs to plant	68	...
Government grant for Ballia ravine "Bandh"	6,000	36,000	(c) Repairs to buildings	10	...
			(d) Other items	...	...
			Mains:—	...	...
			(a) Line materials and repairs	5,812	...
			(b) Lamps	7,005	...
			(c) Meters repairs	257	...
			(d) Other stores	...	...
			(e) Other items	8	...
			Refunds:—	34	70,901
			House-wiring	14,027	41,000
			Paid to Public Health Department	41,000	80,816
			Interest due on account of current year (repayment interest)	80,816	...
Total	...	2,18,668	Total	...	1,92,717

FROM

B. H. H. Ede, Esqr., I. C. S.,

Deputy Commissioner, and Chairman City Board,

NAINI TAL.

To

THE COMMISSIONER,

KUMAON DIVISION, NAINI TAL.

Dated, Naini Tal, the 20th June 1924.

SIR,

I have the honour to submit the annual administration report of the Naini Tal Municipality for the year ending 31st March 1924 with the statement and appendices passed by Board's special resolution No. 2 dated 3rd May 1924.

2. I was Chairman and Capt. Corbett Vice-Chairman throughout the year. At the first meeting of the new board in November last two Vice-Chairmen were elected, Capt. Corbett and Rai Sahib L. Jai Lal Sah as senior and junior respectively.

Constitution.

3. The elections were held in September 1923 at which there was keen competition. The new Board came into existence on 1st November 1923. The following gentlemen were elected :—

Elections.

In the class of Proprietors. } Rai Sahib L. Jai Lal Sah and L. Durga Sah replacing Lalas Joga Sah Kumaiyan and Mohan Lal Sah.

In the class of Petty-holders. } L. Keshi Sah (re-elected) and L. Indra Lal Sah Vakil replacing Pt. Nilamber Pant Vakil.

In the class of Tenants } Dr. M. A. Shah replacing Mr. E. C. Le Maistre.

In the General electorate class. } L. Kishoree Lal Sah replacing M. Sham Lal.

L. Mohan Lal Sah resigned in April 1923 and his seat remained vacant till the next elections. Mr. A. Eastmond, M.C., District Engineer, was a member of the Board up to 9th April 1923 when he was succeeded by the late Pt. Kali Ram, who was subsequently replaced by Mr. Hatfield, the present District Engineer. Mr. H. S. Bates I. C. S., Joint Magistrate, was transferred on 4th November 1923 and his seat remained vacant till March 1924 when Mr. A. D. F. Dundas I. C. S. joined the district.

4. Thirteen meetings of the Board were held during the year and none was adjourned. Of these 8 were of the old Board and 5 of the new. The number of attendances are shown below :—

L. Keshi Sah	...	12
Sheikh Abdul Qaiyum	...	12
Capt. J. Corbett	...	10
Mr. R. C. Busher	...	9
Pt. Nilambar Pant	...	8
Mr. M. B. Hatfield	...	7
Mr. H. S. Bates	...	6
M. Sham Lal	...	6

Mr. E. C. Lemaistre	...	6
L. Joga Sah Kumaiyan	...	5
Rai Sahib L. Jai Lal Sah	...	5
L. Durga Sah	...	4
L. Indra Lal Sah	...	4
L. Kishoree Lal Sah	...	3
Pt. Kali Ram	...	2
Dr. M. A. Shah	...	2

5. The bulk of the routine work was disposed of by sub-committees which held meetings as below:—

Public Works	...	13
Finance	...	11
Tolls	...	11
Public Health	...	8
Education	...	10

The Assessment Committee met on several occasions but the Market Committee met only once.

Income: excluding Hydro electric,

6. The income of the Board excluding Hydro-electric and Government grants was Rs. 3,03,158 as compared with Rs. 3,00,398 in the previous year, an increase of Rs. 2,765 or 0.92 per cent. The important variations are explained below:—

Item 3. House Tax.—Increase Rs. 2,128 or 3.5 per cent due to assessments on several new buildings erected during the year.

Item 16. Rent of land and houses. Decrease Rs. 336 or 3.7 per cent due to non-payment of Government revenue by certain owners against whom distress warrants have been issued.

Item 20 Fee from Medical Institutions.—Increase Rs. 271 or 50 per cent is chiefly due to the opening of an operation ward.

Item 23 (1) Sale proceeds of water—Increase of Rs. 1,600 or 7.8 per cent is mainly due to the construction of a larger number of buildings.

Item 23 (3) Sale of water-other items.—Decrease Rs. 10,628 or 84 per cent. The decrease is really only Rs. 628 or 23.7 per cent which is due to no unserviceable articles having been sold during the year. Last year's figures included a sum of Rs. 10,000 the irrevocable Bank guarantee refunded by the Coal Transportation Officer.

Item 23 (d) License fees on dandies &c.—Increase of Rs. 404 or 65.8 per cent is chiefly due to recovery of Rs. 5 on each pony plying for hire, bye-laws for the control of which were introduced during the year.

Item 24 Fines.—Increase Rs. 668 or 47.6 per cent due to a larger number of offences compounded under the Municipal Act.

Item 40 Miscellaneous other-items.—Increase Rs. 9,106 or 164.9 per cent. This includes a sum of Rs. 8,478 refunded to the Board by the District Engineer owing to the provincialization of municipal drains.

The total receipts for the year including the opening balance and Government grants amounted to Rs. 4,12,939.

Disbursements: Excluding Hydro-electric,

7. The total disbursements for the year excluding payments on account of Hydro-electric amounted to Rs. 2,83,512 as against

Rs. 2,69,047 in the previous year, an increase of Rs. 14,465 or 5.4 per cent. The principal variations are explained below:—

Item 1 General administration.—Decrease of Rs. 1,244 is due to saving in the pay of the Secretary.

Item 4 (a) Town Improvement.—Decrease Rs. 2,957. The Town Improvement Scheme having been suspended no expenditure was incurred during the year.

Item 9 Lighting —Increase of Rs. 4,110 due to the contribution for public lighting having been paid for the whole year.

Item 13 Water Supply Establishment.—Decrease of Rs. 7,295 represents saving in coal owing to the steam engines having been closed down from 1st August 1923 and to the cost of power being cheaper than coal.

Item 30 Schools and Colleges.—Increase of Rs. 1,532 is due to (i) raising of the grant in aid to the Diamond Jubilee Branch School from Rs. 400 to Rs. 1,000 (ii) payment of a grant of Rs. 200 to the Mission Girls School and (iii) to the pay of teachers having been graded.

Item 41 Printing charges.—Increase of Rs. 798 represents payments made for printing done in the latter half of 1922-23.

Item 41 (h) Provident Fund.—Increase of Rs. 686 is due to contributions made to the Provident Fund on behalf of Hydro-Electric staff confirmed during the year.

Item 41 (d) Rents.—Increase of Rs. 322 is due to house rent paid to the Secretary.

Item 41 (f) Miscellaneous.—Increase of Rs. 463 is due to the maintenance of charcoal and fuel depots.

8. The year opened with a balance of Rs. 1,03,721 and at the close of the year it was Rs. 1,29,427. This is made up of:—

Incomplete and postponed works	... Rs. 38,242
Works abandoned	... Rs. 5,276
Actual revenue	... Rs. 85,909
Total	... Rs. 1,29,427

9. Excluding the opening balance and Government grants the income for the year amounted to Rs. 85,439/- as against Rs. 18,638/- in the previous year. There can be no comparison between the figures of the two years as the scheme was in its infancy in 1922-23. The income under (i) Sale of current for lighting under the metered and bazaar contract (ii) Sale of current for power (iii) meter rent and (iv) service line rent aggregated Rs. 51,774 as compared with the revised budget estimate of Rs. 46,400. The remaining items approximated to the estimate except credit for cost of power for driving water which was estimated at Rs. 32,000/- while the actual cost amounted to only Rs. 11,403 calculated at the old rate of 3 annas a unit: if paid for at the current rate of -/1/6 a unit the credit would have been just half.

Hydro-electric Income:

The total receipts including the opening balance and Government grants amounted to Rs. 2,18,668. Of this amount Rs. 1,44,919 represents the balance of the Hydro-electric loans and house-wiring and meter purchase loan.

Disbursements Hydro-
electric.

10. The expenditure on Hydro-electric maintenance &c. actually amounted to Rs. 70,901; but to this should be added interest and sinking fund charges, Rs. 80,816, as well as a sum of Rs. 41,000 paid to the Public Health Department to complete the scheme. The total expenditure therefore amounted to Rs. 1,92,717 leaving a balance at the close of the year of Rs. 25,951 which is made up of the following items:—

Government contribution for Ballia ravine bandh	Rs. 6,000
Balance of the house-wiring loan	... „ 15,649
Balance of Hydro-electric loan	... „ 4,302
Total	... Rs. 25,951

Not taking into account the sum of Rs. 41,000 referred to above, which has been debited to the loan account, the Hydro-electric worked at a loss of Rs. 22,251 during the year.

11. At the beginning of the year the Hydro-electric scheme was inspected by Mr. F. W. Tunnicliffe, Executive Engineer, in order apparently to prove that the scheme is financially sound. His report on the face of it was a piece of special pleading and merely confused the point at issue viz., whether the scheme when in full working order can ever pay its way. That this can never be is clear from the following calculations.

The sum required annually for interest and sinking fund is Rs. 1,45,939, maintenance according to an estimate based on actuals will cost Rs. 55,800 according to various other estimates Rs. 40,459 or Rs. 42,000. Expenditure therefore taking the maximum figure will amount to Rs. 2,01,739 and taking the minimum figure to Rs. 1,86,398. Receipts when the scheme is in full working order will be Rs. 1,57,750 according to the estimate based on actuals and Rs. 1,83,311 according to the forecast of the Public Health Department. Even therefore if the most favourable figure is accepted in each case, the scheme can never be worked at anything but a loss. Rs. 1,86,398 expenditure and Rs. 1,83,311 income involves an annual deficit of Rs. 3,087. The suggestion was made that the Board should hand over the scheme to a company, but the Board consider that it would be a waste of time to take any steps in this direction, as no business concern would look at the proposition. The Board would, however, be only too glad to hand over the scheme to the Public Health Department, which, unlike the Board, is satisfied as to its financial soundness, provided that the charge made against the Board for street lighting is decided by an independent third party.

Government Grants.

12. The total grants received from Government during the year amounted to Rs. 42,060. This includes (i) Rs. 30,000 the first annual grant for Hydro-electric promised in G. O. No. 1948/XI-451E dated 7/8th September 1922; (ii) Rs. 6,000 for the construction of a bund in the Ballia ravine and purchase of an electric pump to pump back seepage water to the lake; and (iii) the balance Rs. 6,060 is made up of the following recurring grants:—

For general sanitary purposes	... Rs. 5,000
Towards pay of Sanitary Inspectors	... Rs. 1,060

The Board has approached Government for a grant of Rs. 8,472 for meeting the cost of special repairs to the slip at Crag Ellachie. But up to date no reply has been received.

While thanking the Government for the grants already given the Board hope that the Government will see its way to remit as irrecoverable the sum of Rs. 8 lacs recommended by you in your letter No. 2680/XXIII-40 dated 1st April 1924.

13. The yearly instalments of the loans amount, at present, to Rs. 1,06,176; but in 1925-26 they will increase to Rs. 1,78,334 by the addition of the instalment of the second Hydro-electric loan, unless the Government is pleased to help the Board by a remission of the Rs. 8 lacs referred to above.

Loans.

In the year under report the instalments of the first Hydro-electric loan have been met from the balance of the two loans in hand at the close of the last year and from the Government grant of Rs. 30,000. Unless substantial help is given by Government it will be impossible for the Board to meet its liabilities.

14. The amount allotted for original works was Rs. 70,027 as detailed in Form B. Out of this a sum of Rs. 20,374 was spent during the year. The work of building a screen wall around the Municipal Primary school estimated to cost Rs 500 has been abandoned and the question of providing a building for the Talli Tal boys primary school at a cost of Rs 7,000 is pending owing to the non-receipt of a grant from Government. A sum of Rs. 4,298 was paid to the Public Works Department for special monsoon repairs to municipal roads and for improving the Upper Kaladhungi road between the Imperial Bank and Waverley Quarters items(23 and 24). A sum of Rs. 38,242 is being carried forward for works which are in progress or postponed. Works of improvement carried out during the year either completed or in progress were (i) special repairs to water works out-houses and main buildings, (ii) improvements to Malli Tal bathing shed, (iii) erection of two incinerators, (iv) completion of the pony shelter near the flats, (v) special repairs to the beef market and improving the ceilings of the bakeries, (vi) construction of an office room at the slaughter-house, (vii) construction of an operation shed at the Veterinary hospital and (viii) putting a railing on the wall at the back lane of Malli Tal. A long felt want is a motor parao at Talli Tal. This has been taken in hand and it is hoped that the work will be completed before the monsoon sets in. The Government has provincialized the upkeep of the drains as recommended by the Burn committee and the Board has been relieved of the contribution of Rs. 8,478; but the sum of Rs. 2,738 advanced in the year 1922-23 to the Public Works Department for an urgent hill side safety work (special repairs to Oheena drains) on promise of its return when the Public Works Department received the maintenance grants from Government for provincialization of the upkeep of drains has not yet been refunded.

Original Works Form B.

15. The Naini Tal water works like others in the provinces cannot make both ends meet. The receipts of the year amounted to Rs 67,933 and the expenditure to Rs 1,05,118 (including the annual loan instalment of Rs 23,014), a deficit of Rs. 37,185 as against Rs. 35,582 in the previous year.

Water Works.

Since the electric pumping plant has been brought into use there have been no complaints of shortage of water. It is clear from this that the complaints in the past were due to the steam plant which was not capable of pumping a sufficient quantity of water. As a precaution against any failure of the water supply the Electrical Engineer recommends the harnessing of the Kilberry springs. This matter as well as the harnessing of certain springs below Woodstock will be taken in hand in the current year.

Sanitation.

The consumption of pumped water fell from 51 million gallons in the previous year to 35 millions in the year under report. This fall is inexplicable especially as the rainfall and wet days were less than in 1922. The figures for rainfall are 96 against 125 inches and wet days 64 per cent against 96 per cent. Some other method than arithmetical calculation must be devised to arrive at correct figures. Owing to the appointment of a water works inspector there has been a great reduction in wastage and this partly accounts for the fall in consumption.

16. During the year the health of the settlement was very good. There were only four cases of small-pox which were isolated and treated at the Manora Epidemic hospital. In the previous year 4 cases of relapsing fever, nine of small-pox and one of mumps were treated at the hospital. The maintenance charges in the previous year amounted to Rs. 1,801 whereas in the year under report they amounted to Rs. 3,202. The increase is partly due to special repairs to the huts and payment of arrears of pay of the Assistant Surgeon in charge of the hospital in 1922-23. Of this expenditure 25 per cent is met by the District Board.

The number of births registered was 372 as against 348 in the year previous and the number of deaths recorded was 298 as against 268. These figures include 56 and 69 deaths respectively of children under 12 months old.

Provision was made in the budget for a trained midwife but such a person could not be obtained.

The main sewer was properly cleaned in the winter and gave no trouble during the year. The question of remodelling the sewerage system is still pending as the Board is not in a position, at present, to finance the scheme. The bathing shed at Malli Tal was improved during the year, an incinerator was erected at Talli Tal and another will shortly be erected at the Hotel Metropole. An office room was provided at the slaughter-house and improvements were carried out in the beef market and the bakeries.

During the year 348 vaccinations were performed of which 99.7 per cent of secondary and all primary operations are reported to have been successful. The total cost of vaccination was Rs. 700.

The report called for from the Medical Officer of Health on Major Murison's sanitary inspection report of the municipality referred to in last year's annual report is still awaited; but some of the improvements suggested were carried out during the year.

There are eight pail depots for the disposal of night soil. There are altogether 19 incinerators: one more is under construction. There is a proposal to erect two urinals, one on the North Mall and the other on the South Mall. The Y. M. C. A. has kindly consented to the first of these being erected in the compound of Lake House.

The burning ghat below the Bhowali road is now in use and the Board has recently given a grant of Rs. 1,000 towards the cost of erecting a godown at the site. This will reduce to a great extent the inconvenience formerly caused to the Hindu community.

Capt. Kapur held charge of the Sanitation Department of the Board throughout the year.

The Town Improvement scheme was shelved owing to financial stringency and the unspent balance of Rs. 2,639 was handed over to the Board and merged in its cash balance.

Two chemical and 156 bacteriological analyses were carried out during the year. Except in a few cases the results were satisfactory.

There was no improvement in the quality of the milk brought into the station. Eighteen cases of adulteration were prosecuted and the offenders fined Rs. 635.

In addition to the usual annual contribution of Rs. 1,135 to the District Board Rs. 600 were contributed for the maintenance of the Crosthwaite hospital. As the Government has been unwilling in the past to take up the proposal for the provincialization of this hospital and this hospital probably provides for the need more of the municipality than of the district, a joint committee of the two boards (Municipal and District) has been constituted to consider whether the Municipal Board should not take over the administration and take a rateable contribution from the District Board if the work done by the hospital is over 50% urban work.

The usual contribution of Rs. 2,000 was paid to the Ramsay hospital.

17. The hospital which is a seasonal one opened on the 4th May 1923 and closed on the 19th October 1923. In 1922 it opened on 8th May and closed on 31st October. The number of out-patients treated during the season was 352 and in-patients 34 as against 265 and 41 respectively in 1922. The income increased from Rs. 542 in 1922 to Rs. 813. The expenditure was Rs. 1,987 as against Rs. 989 in the previous year; but the former figure includes Rs. 912 spent on an operation shed which was badly needed. The dispensary was in the charge of Veterinary Assistant Rai Kedar Nath whose work was very satisfactory.

Veterinary Hospital.

18. The rainfall of 1923 was normal being 96.12 inches against 125 in 1922. On 6 days there were heavy falls of rain. The heaviest being 6.85 inches on 2nd September 1923. Snow fell on 8 days the heaviest fall being on 2/3rd December 1923 viz. 9 inches.

Roads, drains & Lake.

The station drainage system worked well. There was practically no '*chota barsat*.' The real monsoon set in on 6th July and lasted until the 2nd October i.e., 89 days. Rain fell on 57 days of this period so that 64 per cent of the days may be taken as wet days. This shows a great decrease over the percentage of 96 in 1922, 83.2 in 1921 and 83.7 in 1920.

The public drains worked well and very little damage occurred. The lake sluices not having been opened more than 12 inches, except on a few occasions, little damage was done to the cushion beds, and none to the main lining. A small slip took place from the hill on the left bank near fall No. 21 at the same place as the slip of last year; but no damage was done to the drain. On the 10th July owing to heavy rain some damage was done to the tail junction of the Fairy Hall drain with the Ballia ravine and to the side kharanjas up above, otherwise the drain worked satisfactorily. No damage was done to the reserve police line's drain.

The municipal drains worked satisfactorily with the exception of drain No. 48 which starts from the Wellesley Girls School. As mentioned last year the sides of the drain should be raised a foot or so as the capacity of the drain is insufficient.

The municipal roads on the Ayarpatta hill stood very well, except the East Lagoon road at Orag Ellachi and the South Mall below the same damage. Both these roads were very badly damaged by heavy boulders giving way. The southern portion of the Upper Ayarpatta Mall requires barrelling with side and cross drains.

The drains on the Sher-ka-danda hill worked well. No liberties should be taken by allowing excavations &c, on this hill side. Very little damage was done to this hill during the year and no damage to any building.

On Cheena Hill debris and boulders came down continually between the 10th July and 1st October filling catch-pits of drains Nos. 26, 30 and 31.

In last year's report it was remarked that all seepage water in the Ballia ravine must be arrested by a bund and pumped back to the lake. The Government has made the Board a grant of Rs. 6,000 for this purpose, and the work has nearly been completed.

Education.

19. The expenditure incurred on the Board's primary school for boys at Malli Tal, in which no fees are charged, amounted to Rs. 2,949. Owing to insufficient space in the school building additional accommodation had again to be rented in the bazaar. In the current year the school building will be enlarged by adding two rooms. The grant to the private school in Talli Tal known as the Diamond Jubilee Branch school was raised from Rs. 400 to Rs. 1,000. In view of its financial position in 1923 the residents of Talli Tal asked the Board to take over the school or close it with effect from December 1922. As the Board had agreed to introduce a scheme for compulsory primary education it thought it proper to increase the grant-in aid until the scheme was sanctioned. It is hoped that final orders on the scheme will be received during the current year. The initial building grant to enable the Board to take over the Diamond Jubilee Branch school is included in the scheme. The enrolment remained practically the same as last year. In the municipal school it was 141 and in the private school 81 on the 31st March 1924 as against 142 and 85 respectively on 31st March 1923.

There are two Girls' schools at Malli Tal—one the Model Girls school maintained by Government and the other a school maintained by the American Mission. There are also two private schools in Talli Tal—one known as the Bhawani Kanya Pathshala and the other the American Mission school. The Board gives a grant in aid of Rs. 350 a year to the American Mission authorities towards the maintenance of these schools. The gentleman who has taken over the Arya Girls school has applied for a plot of land on which to erect a school building. The application is under consideration. The enrolment of the Zenana Mission Girls schools at Malli Tal on 31st March 1924 was 32 and 62 respectively. The Mission authorities also maintain a school for depressed classes at Babuliya. The Cantonment authorities contributed a sum of Rs. 50 in aid of education which was passed on to the Talli Tal boys school.

The teacher sent for training in the previous year from the Board's school passed the examination and another was sent in the year under report. On the return of this teacher in the current year another will be sent for training.

With effect from 1st April 1924 the scale of pay of teachers of the municipal school has been revised as follows:—

Head-teacher	..	Rs. 30—3—45
Trained-teachers	...	Rs. 25—1—30
Untrained-teachers	...	Rs. 20—1—25

Assembly Rooms.

20. A statement of the Assembly Rooms accounts is appended to this report. The year opened with a balance of Rs. 223. The receipts during the year amounted to Rs. 2,880 as against Rs. 4,786

in 1922-23. The fall is due to the fact that rents amounting to Rs. 2,006 were in arrears at the close of the year. All but Rs. 301 has since been realized. The balance at the close of the year was Rs. 1,057. During the year a sum of Rs. 555 was paid to debenture holders on account of dividends for the 2nd half of the year 1921. The dividends for 1922 and 1923 still remain to be paid.

The syndicate formed a couple of years ago to take over the Assembly Rooms on long lease has ceased to exist. Offers for the lease of the building with effect from 1st January 1925 will now be invited.

21. The revised rules for the assessment and collection of scavenging tax were recently published by Government for objections. The final publication is awaited.

Rules & Byelaws.

In the previous year a carrying company escaped payment of toll on a motor bus because a local court held that under the Toll schedule only a laden motor lorry could be taxed. To legalize the imposition of toll on a goods motor car or on a mixed motor vehicle such as a charabanc or a bus which carries passengers as well as goods item 2 of the Toll schedule has, with the sanction of Government, been amended by substituting for "Laden motor lorry exclusive of tolls on passengers" the following "Laden motor vehicle carrying a load exceeding 3 maunds exclusive of toll on passengers." It is a common practice for passengers to carry large quantities of luggage with them on cars without paying for any excess over the free allowance, and under the amended schedule all such cars will be required to pay a toll of Rs. 5 in addition to the toll on each passenger.

An amendment prohibiting fishing in the lake during the night i.e., between the hours of 9 P. M., and 4 A. M., was made in the bye-laws for the protection of fish in the Naini Tal lake.

On the recommendation of the Executive Engineer, Naini Tal Provincial Division, an addition was made to the Building bye-laws to the effect that "the chimney of any fire-place in a house in the station shall not be less than 144 square inches in cross sectional area." An amendment was also made in the traffic bye-laws prohibiting bullock carts from using roads other than the Upper North Mall. Bye-laws were also framed for the regulation of rickshaws plying for hire and sale of liquid tea in certain kinds of vessels. The former were based on the lines of the Mussoorie bye-laws and the latter on a model draft of bye-laws received from Government. To avoid disputes between the Toll muharrirs and milkmen at Khurpa Tal it was decided to allow milkmen to compound the daily toll of -/1/6 per load on payment of a lump sum of Rs. 20 for the year. This meant a saving of over Rs. 14 a year to each milkman; but this concession has not been taken advantage of. Only one pass was taken out in 1923 and two during the current year. The question of abolishing this concession will be considered at the end of the season.

As milkmen were attempting to evade toll by one man passing through the barrier with milk loads of several other milkmen and subsequently returning to the owners their respective loads, a check toll bar was established at Kaladhungi gorge for a period of 3 months. This has to a certain extent prevented the irregular practice.

The rules for the maintenance of the Hydro-electric accounts were confirmed by Government and are now in force.

The number of horses plying for hire licensed in the year under report was 74 and the number of jhampanies registered was 851. The

bye-laws in respect of ponies and jhampanies are being strictly enforced.

Audit of Accounts.

22. The audit of the accounts commenced on the 4th June 1923 and concluded on the 29th June. The number of unsettled objections on completion of audit was only 16. The accounts were found to be satisfactory on the whole.

Prosecutions.

23. During the year the total number of cases convicted by courts for which fines were credited to Municipal funds were 102, of which 17 were for adulteration of milk. The amount of fines was Rs. 1,407. One hundred and twenty two cases were compounded for Rs. 722/2/-. Of these 76 were for breaches of the forest law, and the remainder for breaches of Municipal bye-laws or rules.

Collection of taxes and rates.

24. The demands and collections under the several heads of income are shown in the statement appended to the report. The total demand including arrears amounted to Rs. 2,06,705 of which Rs. 1,94,738 or 94 per cent was collected and Rs. 1,488 were remitted leaving a balance of Rs. 10,479 at the close of the year. Of the latter amount Rs. 5,171 have since been recovered. Distress warrants were issued for the recovery of balances before the close of the year. Several warrants for large sums have not yet been executed.

Forests.

25. The revenue of the year was Rs. 1,325 practically the same as in the year previous viz. Rs. 1,365. One hundred and five trees were sold to the public for Rs. 356. Three hundred and forty-two trees were cut and delivered to the water works for fuel, 33 were used for the Manora Epidemic hospital and the municipal office and 43 were supplied to the Public Works Department for construction of barriers and other purposes. The value of these trees is not included in the revenue. Four hundred and forty-two cattle were impounded and 99 breaches of Forest law were convicted or compounded. Rs. 231/8/- were received on this account. The committee appointed to consider the future policy with a view of an early revision of the working plan of the Naini Tal Municipal Forests 1905-1925 met on the 20th June 1923 and it was of the opinion that in view of the fact that the area of Municipal Forest on Ayarpatta below the water shed is very small, and inconsiderable in comparison with the area of private compounds, it is not worth while revising the working plan which has less than two years to run and that it should be the policy of the Board to permit freely the felling of trees in Ayarpatta compounds. It was also decided that the female poplar trees should be cut in all cases and that each tree should be replaced by a cypress or deodar according to the locality. The committee was also of the opinion that the area surrounding the Ramsay Hospital should be lightly afforested with deodar and cypress and that the Municipality should as soon as possible establish nurseries and encourage owners of the locality to purchase and plant them in their compounds.

Two hundred and twenty one female poplar trees were felled during the year and orders will shortly issue for the felling of 164 more trees.

Work of the Board.

26. The Joint Magistrate is the President of the Public Health Committee; the District Engineer of the Public Works committee. Mr. R. C. Busher presided over the Education committee. I wish again to place on record my high appreciation of the work both of the old and of the new Board. There has been no internal dissension, and the tradition of attention to business has been maintained. L. Keshi Sah and Khan Sahib Sh: Abdul Qaiyum have again been most regular in attendance at meetings.

Staff.

27. B. Abinashi Lal, the late Secretary, died on the 3rd August 1923. The Board recorded a resolution of great regret at his sudden

death and of high appreciation of his services. He has been succeeded by Mr. H. W. Gill whose assistance to me has been invaluable.

Mr. Chantrey, Electrical Engineer, has had another arduous year's work.

The staff has done excellent work especially Pt. Har Prasad, head clerk, B. Bishambar Dayal, overseer, and L. Prem Lal, toll supervisor.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

E. H. H. EDYE I. C. S.,

Chairman.

ENCLOSURES.

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1. Copy of Special Resolution Nos. 2 and 3 of a meeting of the Municipal Board of Naini Tal held on the 3rd May 1924.
2. Statement in form A.
3. " " B.
4. Appendix A.
5. Appendix B.
6. Appendix B. B.
7. Appendix C.
8. Appendix D.
9. Appendix E.
10. A brief report on the working of the Naini Tal Water Works.
11. Sanitary Report.
12. Abstract of the Assembly Rooms Account.
13. Report by the Electrical Engineer.

H. W. GILL,
Secretary.

E. H. H. EDYE, I. O. S.,
Chairman.

Copy of Special Resolution No. 2 of a meeting of the Municipal Board of Naini Tal, held on the 3rd May 1924.

The statement and appendices to accompany Annual Administration Report for the year ended 31st March 1924 to be considered and passed.

PASSED.

Copy of Special Resolution No. 3 of a meeting of the Municipal Board of Naini Tal, held on the 3rd May 1924.

Sanitary report for the year ending 31st March 1924 to be considered and passed.

PASSED.

H. W. GILL,
Secretary.

E. H. H. EDYE, I. C. S.,
Chairman.

Form A.

Statement showing the income and Expenditure of the Naini Tal
Municipality during the year ending 31st March 1924

Population 16,517 Summer
10,392 Winter

Number of item.	HEADS OF INCOME	Actuals of the last year 1922—23	Budget Estimate of the current year 1923—24	Actuals of the current year 1923—24
		3	4	5
1	2	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
1	BY BALANCE IN HAND AT CLOSE OF LAST YEAR MUNICIPAL RATES AND TAXES—	53,374	2,00,950	2,00,950
2				
3	Tax on the annual value of buildings and lands ...	59,968	60,000	62,096
4	Tax on animals and vehicles—			
	(a) tax on boats ...	230	226	217
	(c) tax on animals used for riding, driving, etc., ...	1,700	1,600	1,724
6	Tolls (on roads and ferries) ...	78,421	65,000	72,797
7	Water tax ...	41,717	41,000	41,919
9	Conservancy (including scavenging and latrine) taxes ...	54,228	50,000	54,401
10	Other taxes Lake frontage ...	901	901	901
11	Total rates and taxes ...	2,32,165	2,18,727	2,34,055
	REALIZATIONS UNDER SPECIAL ACTS—			
12	From pounds ...	173	130	130
14	From licences for the sale of petroleum ...	137	100	104
14 (a)	From other sources gross ...	95	120	102
15	Total ...	405	350	386
	Carried over ...	2,32,570	2,19,077	2,34,391

Number of item.	HEADS OF INCOME	Actuals of last year 1922-23.	Budget estimate of the current year 1923-24.	Actuals of the current year 1923-24
1	2	3	4	5
	Brought forward ...	Rs. a. p. 2,32,570	Rs. a. p. 2,19,077	Rs. a. p. 2,34,391
	REVENUE DERIVED FROM MUNICIPAL PROPERTY AND POWERS APART FROM TAXATION—			
16	Rents of lands, houses, <i>sarais</i> (rest houses) dak- bungalows, etc. ..	8,721	8,600	8,885
17	Sale proceeds of lands and produce of lands, etc. ..	1,387	1,000	1,325
18	Conservancy receipts (other than taxes and rates) ..	99	130	201
19	Fees and revenue from educational institutions ..	8	8	5
20	Fees and revenue from medical institutions ..	542	850	813
21 (a)	Markets ..	6,325	6,400	6,359
21 (b)	Slaughter houses ..	4,711	4,500	4,817
23	Sale of water			
	(1) Sale proceeds of water ..	20,881	18,500	21,981
	(2) Rent of meters ..	2 136	1,600	2,014
	(3) Other items ..	12,647	1,600	2,019
23 (a)	Copying fees ..	99	100	95
23 (c)	Registration fees for Jhampanis ..	447	425	425
23 (d)	License fees on dandy &c. ..	614	1,020	1,018
23 (e)	Registration fee for dogs ..	1,294	1,350	1,391
24	Fines under Municipal and other Acts ..	1,403	2,000	2,071
24 (a)	Hydro electric receipts ..	18,638	1,00,528	85,439
	<i>Interest on Investments</i>			
25	General purposes ..	200	...	...
28	Premium on loans ..	...	...	...
29	Total ..	79,652	1,48,611	1,38,358
	GRANTS AND CONTRIBUTIONS (FOR GENERAL AND SPECIAL PURPOSES)—			
	<i>From Government.</i>			
30	For general purposes ...	20,060	6,060	6,060
31	For educational purposes ...	...	8,600	...
32	For Hydro Electric supply ...	1,60,000	80,000	56,000
	Total ...	1,80,060	44,660	42,060
	Carried over ..	4,02,282	4,12,348	4,14,809

Number item.	Heads of income.	Actual of last year 1922-23	Budget Estimate of the current year. 1923-24	Actuals of the current year. 1923-24
1	2	3	4	5
	Brought forward ...	Rs. a. p. 4,92,282	Rs. a. p. 4,12,348	Rs. a. p. 4,14,809
	MISCELLANEOUS ...			
40	Recoveries on account of services rendered to private individuals ...	116	25	24
41	Other items ...	5,523	13,000	14,629
42	Total ...	5,639	13,025	14,653
43	TOTAL INCOME OF YEAR EXCLUDING OPENING BALANCE	4,97,921	4,25,373	4,29,462
44	EXTRAORDINARY AND DEBT—			
45	Loans. { From Government for Hydro Electric supply construction & house wiring & meter purchase	12,97,000	...	...
	Total ...	12,97,000	...	...
48	Advances { Permanent	10	190	190
49	{ Other			
50	Deposits ...	1,160	500	1,005
51	Total ...	1,170	690	1,195
52	TOTAL RECEIPTS EXCLUDING OPENING BALANCE.	17,96,091	4,26,063	4,30,657
53	TOTAL RECEIPTS INCLUDING OPENING BALANCE.	18,49,465	6,27,013	6,31,607
	Excluding Hydro Electric receipts ...	3,72,768	3,99,256	4,12,939
54	Incidence of taxation (column 11) per head of population.	14-0-11	13-3-10	14-2-9
55	Incidence of income (column 43) per head of population.	30-2-4	25-12-1	26-0-0

Hydro Electric receipts and opening balance (actuals)

Opening balance	Rs. 97,229
Item 24 (a)	35,439
Item 32 (a)	36,000
Total	2,18,668

EXPENDITURE

Number of item.	Heads of Expenditure.	Actuals of last year 1922-23	Budget Estimate of the current year 1923-24	Actuals of the current year 1923-24	
1	2	3	4	5	
	GENERAL ADMINISTRATION AND COLLECTION CHARGES.	Rs. a, p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	
1	General administration (office, establishment, inspection, honorary magistrates establishment, etc) ..	14,770	14,000	13,526	
2	Collection of taxes including bonded warehouses (establishment, purchase of account books and paper, money boxes repairs, to outposts etc) ...	1,520	1,800	1,618	
3	Collection of tolls on roads and ferries ..	7,619	10,000	7,776	
4	Survey of land ...	49	50	11	
4 (a)	Town improvement ...	2,957	2,689		
5	Refund (other than octroi) ...	510	1,000	838	
	Total ..	27,425	29,539	23,769	
	PUBLIC SAFETY—				
8	Fire (establishment, purchase of fire engines, buckets repairs etc.) ...	...	360	345	
9	Lighting (establishment, purchase of lamps, oil, repairs etc.) ...	14,581	18,800	18,691	
	Total ..	14,581	19,160	19,036	
	PUBLIC HEALTH AND CONVENIENCE—				
12	Water supply { Capital outlay ..	35	3,344	742	
13	Water supply { Establishment, repairs etc. ..	89,399	1,05,805	82,104	
14	Drainage { Capital outlay ..	3,076	1,500	480	
15	Drainage { Establishment, repairs etc. ...	6,403	11,000	8,503	
16	Conservancy (including road cleaning and watering and latrines) ..				
	(a) Subordinate establishment ..	38,801	41,000	39,543	
	(b) Cost and feed of live stock ..	843	900	802	
	(c) Plant and contingencies ..	2,234	3,000	2,373	
	(d) Road watering ..	...	100	10	
17	Charges on account of health officer and sanitary inspectors. ..	6,135	8,250	7,672	
18	Hospital and dispensaries ..	5,000	7,200	6,982	
23	Vaccination ..	692	800	700	
	Carried over ...	1,52,618	1,82,899	1,49,911	
	Carried over ...	42,006	48,699	42,805	

Number of item.	Heads of expenditure	Actuals of last year 1922-23	Budget Estimate of the current year 1923-24	Actuals of the current year 1923-24
1	2	3	4	6
	Brought forward ...	42,006	48,699	42,805
	Brought forward ...	152,618	1,82,899	1,49,911
21	Other sanitary requirements ...	5,389	8,000	4,690
22	Markets and slaughter-houses. ...	712	5,000	5,297
23	Pounds ...	36	50	36
24	Dak bungalows and <i>sarais</i> ...	44	800	650
25	Arboriculture, public gardens and experimental cultivation. ...	1,314	1,100	931
26	Veterinary charges ...	989	2,000	1,987
28	Public works {	6,556	6,200	5,862
29		913	1,500	1,363
30		16,470	51,600	22,716
31		303	1,700	1,756
31(a)	Hydro Electric supply construction ...	13,13,140	41,000	41,000
31(b)	Do. maintenance ...	66,328	97 080	70,901
	Total ...	15,64,812	3,98,929	3,07,100
	PUBLIC INSTRUCTION			
32	Schools and colleges ...	2,967	4,600	4,499
32(a)	Construction and repair of school buildings ...	77	7,600	19
35	Total ...	3 044	12,200	4 518
36	CONTRIBUTIONS— For General purposes ...	2,217	2,117	2,117
37	MISCELLANEOUS— Interest due on account of current year Hydro Electric ...	...	80,816	80,816
38	Interest due on account of current year ...	6,444	5,677	5,676
40	Actual cost of work done for private individuals ...	45	50	...
41	Other item {	2,657	3,000	3,453
41(a)		...	100	75
41(b)		3,089	3,500	3,775
41(c)		211	210	209
41(d)		574	987	896
41(f)		4,195	5,713	4,658
43	Total ...	17,215	1,00,053	99,560
44	TOTAL EXPENDITURE—	16,29,294	5,61,998	4,56,100
	Carried over ...	16,29,294	5,61,998	4,56,100

Number of item.	Heads of expenditure	Actuals of last year. 1922-23.	Budget Estimate of the current year 1923-24	Actuals of the current year 1923-24
1	2	3	4	5
	Brought forward ...	16,29,294	5,61,998	4,56,100
	EXTRAORDINARY AND DEBT--			
48	Re-payment of loans	18,916	19,683	19,684
49	ad- vances. } Permanent	10	110	110
51	Deposits	295	1,000	335
52	Total	19,221	20,793	20,129
*53	Total disbursements	16,48,515	5,82,791	4,76,229
	Excluding Hydro Electric Expenditure	2,69,047	3,63,895	2,83,512
55	Actual balance	2,00,950	44,222	1,55,378
	Excluding Hydro Electric	1,03,721	35,361	1,29,427
56	Total	2,00,950	44,222	1,55,378
†57	Grand Total	18,49,465	6,27,013	6,31,607
59	Permanent advance	1,000	900	1,000

*Should show the total of items 44 and 52.
† " " " " " 53 and 56.

H. W. GILL

Secretary

Dated the 23-4-1924.

E. H. H. EDYE I. C. S.

Chairman.

Excluding Hydro Electric Expenditure (actuals)	
Item 31 (a)	Rs. 41,000
Item 31 (b)	" 70,901
Item 37	" 80,816
Total	1,92,717

I hereby certify that the closing balance at the credit of Secretary Municipal Board Naini Tal at the end of March, 1924, is Rs. 1,61,834-4-9 one lac, sixty one thousand eight hundred and thirty four 4/9.

J. P. NICHOLSON,
Treasurer Officer,
Naini Tal.

Form B.

Municipality of Naini Tal

STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURE ON ORIGINAL WORKS
DURING THE YEAR 1923-24.

Serial Number.	Nature of Works	Total amount of estimated cost.	Amount expended in previous year	Amount allotted in the year under report.	Amount expended during the year of report	Remarks.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	<i>Collection of tolls.</i>					
1	Providing the needed accommodation to the Toll staff at cart Road Toll chauki and limit ..	1,305	..	1,305	...	Work postponed for want of a suitable site
	<i>Survey of land.</i>					
2	Town improvement ..	6,000	3,311	2,689	...	Work suspended
	<i>Public safety.</i>					
3	Fire establishment &c. Purchase of a hose ..	360	...	360	345	Completed.
	<i>Water supply capital outlay.</i>					
4	Improvement to the main building of the Water works for municipal office ..	1,080	...	1,080	742	In progress.
5	Special repairs to Water works out houses ..	2,264	...	2,264	...	Do.
	<i>Drainage capital outlay.</i>					
6	Special repairs to culverts and bazar drains..	1,500	...	1,500	480	Do.
	<i>Hospitals and dispensaries.</i>					
7	Special repairs to epidemic huts at the Manora Hospital ..	1,500	...	784	784	Completed.
	<i>Other Sanitary requirements</i>					
8	Urgent sanitary works ..	1,404	...	1,404	1,123	Do.
9	Lake weeding ..	500	...	250	238	Do.
10	Improvement to Malli Tal Bathing shed ..	2,855	996	1,677	1,677	Do.
11	Construction of urinals ..	1,500	...	1,500	...	Work postponed.
12	Construction of incinerators					
	(1) Dhobighat { ..	2,000	...	2,000	483	In progress.
	(2) Metropole Hotel { ..					
13	Construction of a shelter for ponies near the Flats ..	3,377	2,108	1,169	1,169	Completed.
	<i>Markets and slaughter houses.</i>					
14	Special repairs to Beef Market ..	2,800	...	2,800	2,780	Do.
15	Improving the ceiling in bakeries at Malli Tal Market ..	1,062	...	1,062	817	Do.
16	Renewing the rim attached to Fowl Houses in the Municipal Market Malli Tal ..	700	...	236	236	Do.
17	Constructing an out let drain in Butter Stall Malli Tal ..	250	...	71	71	Do.
18	Erecting a small office room outside slaughter houses ..	300	...	300	164	Do.
	<i>Dak Bungalows and sarais.</i>					
19	Diverting drain and protecting from debris the grounds of Sarai Tal Travellers Sarai and Pony Sarai ..	800	85	651	650	Do.
	<i>Arboriculture Public gardens.</i>					
20	Improving lake foreshore and gardens ..	1,000	...	100	182	Do.
	<i>Veterinary charges.</i>					
21	Construction of an Operation Shed ..	1,071	...	1,071	912	Do.
	Carried over ..	33,628	6,500	24,613	12,863	

Form B.—(Continued.)

Municipality of Naini Tal

STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURE ON ORIGINAL WORKS DURING THE YEAR
1923—24.

Serial Number.	Nature of Works.	Total amount of estimated cost.	Amount expended in previous year.	Amount allotted in the year under report.	Amount expended during the year of report.	Remarks.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	Brought forward ...	33,628	6,500	24,673	12,853	
	<i>P. W. Roads.</i>					
22	Enlarging the motor Parao Talli Tal ...	29,620	...	29,620	27	In progress.
23	Improving Upper Kala Dhungi Road between Imperial Bank and Waverley quarters ..	2,208	...	2,208	2,206	Paid to P. W. D.
24	Special Monsoon repairs to Municipal roads hill sides ...	2,092	...	2,092	2,092	Do.
25	Putting a railing on the wall at the back lane Malli Tal ..	2,621	...	2,621	2,068	In progress.
26	Improving the Flats laying bujri ..	2,000	627	1,000	967	Completed.
	<i>Public Instruction.</i>					
27	Screen wall around the Municipal Primary school building ..	500	...	500	...	Work not to be taken in hand.
28	Providing a building for Talli Tal Boys Primary school ..	7,000	...	7,000	...	Pending due to non-receipt of grant from Government.
	<i>Other items miscellaneous.</i>					
29	Special repairs to Fuel sheds and charcoal godowns Malli Tal and Talli Tal ..	313	...	313	161	In progress.
	Total ...	79,982	7,127	70,027	20,374	

H. W. GILL,

Secretary.

E. H. H. EDYE, I. C. S.,

Chairman.

Appendix A.

Statement showing the constitution of the Board for the Municipality of Naini Tal
during the year ending 31st March 1924.

Name of District.	Serial Number of Municipality	Name of Municipality	Act under which constituted.	Population within Municipal limits.	Particulars as to Chairman				Number of mem- bers of Boards								Total No. of meetings held including those specified in columns 19 & 20	Number of meetings out of the total in column 18 which proved abortive for want of quorum.	Number of meetings out of the total in column 18 which were adjourned	Average percentage of officials present at each meeting.	Average percentage of non-officials present at each meeting.	Average percentage of all members present at each meeting.	Remarks
2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	
Naini Tal	66	Naini Tal	Act II of 1916	Summer 16,517 Winter 10,392	::	::	::	Nominated Official	2	3	6	11	2	9	5 up to 31st October 1923 6 up to 31st October 1923	4 from 1st November 1923 7 from 1st November 1923	13	::	::	55	67	64	Board reconstituted from 1st November 1923

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Chairman,
Municipal Board Naini Tal

Appendix B.

Statement showing the expenditure on, and the condition of, all schools maintained from or aided by the municipal Fund in 1923-24.

	No. of schools or training classes.	No. of scholars on rolls on the 31st March 1924.						Expenditure from municipal funds.								Remarks.
		In English schools.	In training classes.	In Vernacular middle classes.	In upper primary classes of vernacular schools.	In lower primary classes of vernacular schools.	In other special schools.	Cost of teachers.	Contingencies, etc.	Inspection.	Scholarships.	Contributions to district board.	Grants-in-aid.	Total recurring expenditure.	Buildings and occasional repairs.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
Intra-Municipal Schools managed by municipal or district board.																
Primary schools-municipal Primary schools	1	...	...	...	23	118	...	* 2,754	195	...	...	...	...	2,949	19	*Includes pay of Chowkidar at Rs. 12/- p.m. Rs. 144
Total	1	...	...	...	23	118	...	2,754	195	...	...	...	...	2,949	19	
Intra-Municipal colleges and schools aided by municipal board.																
Preparatory school	1	...	...	...	...	81	...	...	...	...	...	...	1000	1000	...	
Total	1	...	...	...	...	81	...	...	...	...	...	...	1000	1000	...	
Total, boys education	2	...	...	...	23	199	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Girls' schools aided by municipal board.																
Primary schools	2	...	...	...	...	* 94	...	...	...	...	...	...	550	550	...	+Includes Rs. 200 of the year 1922/1923
Total girls' schools	2	94	550	550	...	*Mission Girls School, Madi Tal *Mission Girls School, Talhi Tal
Total expenditure from municipal funds.	2,754	195	1550	4,499	19	

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Appendix B.B.

Statement showing the demand, collections, remissions and outstanding balance of each municipality in United Provinces on account of municipal dues for the year 1923-24.

No.	Name of municipality.	Tax on houses and lands.		Water rate and sale of water.		Conservancy rates and receipts.		Rent of lands.		Fees and revenue from markets.		Total.			Outstanding balances.	Percentage of collections to demands.	Percentage of remissions to demands.	Remarks.
		Dem.	Col.	Demand.	Collec-tions.	Demand.	Collec-tions.	Dem.	Coll.	Dem.	Coll.	Demand.	Collec-tions.	Remis-sions.				
	Nami Tal	Arrear.	Current.	Arrear.	Current.	Arrear.	Current.	Arrear.	Current.	Arrear.	Current.	Arrear.	Current.	Arrear.				
	1,220																	
	63,593																	
	790																	
	61,276																	
	2,726																	
	64,770																	
	2,257																	
	61,373																	
	3,875																	
	55,449																	
	2,553																	
	51,642																	
	139																	
	8,491																	
	119																	
	8,191																	
	137																	
	6,300																	
	137																	
	6,300																	
	8,097																	
	1,98,608																	
	2,06,705																	
	5,956																	
	1,88,782																	
	1,54,738																	
	1,488																	
	:																	
	1,488																	
	10,472																	
	94.21																	
	.72																	

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APPENDIX C.

Showing expenditure on waterworks and sewerage and drainage works in the Naini Tal municipality for the year 1923-24

Water Works				Sewerage and drainage work.			
Nature of charges.	Budget allotment.	Amount of expenditure.	Total	Nature of charges.	Budget allotment.	Amount of expenditure.	Total
1.—Establishment—							
(a) Permanent establishment ...		15,124		2. Construction—			
(b) Office contingencies ...		276	15,400	(b) Surface drains ...	1500	480	
2.—Pumping—				3.—Repairs—			
(a) Coal ...		39,742		(b) Surface drains ...	11000	8503	
(b) Current ...		11,403					
(c) Oil and waste ...		595					
(d) Other stores ...		1,172	52,912				
5.—Distribution—	1,05,805						
(a) Pipes and fittings ...		4,067					
(b) Meters ...		1,949	6,016				
6.—Repairs—							
(a) To Tanks ...		210					
(b) To buildings and grounds. ...		315					
(c) To machinery ...		6,158					
(d) To tools and plants ...		373	7,056				
7. Water analysis ...		720	720				
Total ...	1,05,805		82,104		12500	8988	

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Chairman.

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APPENDIX D.

WATER WORKS.

STATEMENT OF OPERATION DURING THE YEAR 1923-24

<i>Population.</i>							
By census of 1921 in municipality	...	...	...	...		16,517
Ditto cantonment	...	...	...	...		802
					Total	17,319	
<i>Cost of works</i>							
Initial capital cost	...	...	...	Rs.	...	2,47,000
Cost of extensions and improvements to end of previous year	...	...	...	...	...	4,22,843
Ditto ditto during the year	...	...	...	...	...	742
					Total cost of works	6,70,585	
<i>Consumption of filtered water</i>							
During year including cantonment	...	...	...	Gallons	...	34,959,000
Daily average ditto	...	...	...	„	...	95,516
Maximum daily average in any one month	...	...	...	...	...	2,39,170
Daily average for cantonment alone	...	...	...	„	...	4,873
Average number of hours filtered water pumped daily	...	...	...	„	...	12.63
<i>Annual Charges and Receipts.</i>							
Maintenance charges	...	...	...	...	...	82,104
Total charges with interest and payment of loan	{ Maintenance charges 82104 Int & loan repayment 23014					1,05,118	
<i>Income from water works</i>							
Water-rate recovered during year	...	...	...	...	...	41,919
Sale of water and other receipts	...	...	...	...	...	26,014
					Total income	67,933	
<i>Number of house connections at end of year.</i>							
For purely domestic purposes	...	...	...	...	...	267
For other purposes	...	...	...	...	...	22
					Total	289	
Number of connections with meters	...	...	...	...	...	284

APPENDIX E.

Statement of expenditure from non-recurring grants and loans for 1923-24.

Particulars of loan or grant (authority purpose and amount.)	Amount taken up to the end of last year.	Amount received during the year under report.	Total.	Expenditure up to the end of last year.	Expenditure in the year under report.	Total.	Balance of amount taken up to date left unexpended	Remarks
Government grant for Hydro Electric scheme and improvement to water supply G. O. No. 1031/XI 491 E d 4-7-1920 and Board of Public's Health No 446 B. P. H.—27 of 20-4-1922	3,50,000							
First loan for the Hydro Electric scheme and improvement to water supply Construction of Rs. 9.82 lacs 6 p. c. p. repayable in 30 years G. O. No. 2192/XI—451 E dt. 22nd December 1920, No 126/XI-451 E. of 22-1-1921		Nil	23,02,000	21,57,081	55,027	22,12,108	80,892	
2nd loan for the Hydro Electric scheme and improvement to water supply construction of 9 lacs 7 % p. a. repayable in 30 years and House wiring and meter purchase loan Rs. 70000/- Seven % p.a. repayable in 10 years 7	19,52,000							
Carrying out the preliminary proposals for improvements to Mali Tal and Wilsongan bazaar G. O. No. 1730-M x I—513 E. dt 16th Sept. 1921	6000	Nil	6000	3311	Nil	3311	2659	
Government grant in recoupment of what the Board had spent out of their own funds on hill sides safety works G. O. No 48/XI dated 15th January 1923.	14000	Nil	14000	2738	* 11,262	14,000	Nil	*Transferred to the work Bularging Motor Pan Talli Tal.
Government grant for the "Bandh" in the Ballia Ravine.		6000	6000				6000	

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Chairman,

Report on Water Works, 1923-24.

Mr. Hodgen was in charge of the Engines and Boilers and distribution system up to the end of July 1923. I took over on 1st August 1923 and Mr. Hodgen was granted 6 months leave on condition that he will supervise the repairs of steam engines and boilers and the repairs were carried out. Before the repairs were carried out the machinery was inspected by the representative of Messrs. Worthington Simpson & Co., Calcutta, on 28th and 29th July 1923. The boilers and engines have been repaired and kept as a stand by.

The inspection of all Boilers was suspended till November to avoid double expenditure and this will enable the Boiler Inspector to come and inspect all the boilers at one time as the inspection of Water Works boilers and lake engine would have created a double expenditure in respect of journey expenses.

2. The distribution system is being worked well except that the supply from the Pilgrim tank is inadequate in the hot weather. This winter (1924) I will go into the matter to see if it can be improved.

3. Endeavours are being made to prevent the trouble which often arises due to drying up of springs by utilizing more springs or putting in an up-to-date Chlorine plant and electric motor pump and using the lake water.

4. Below is a statement showing the revenue obtained :—

(a) Gardens	Rs.	36—0—0
(b) Meter rent	„	2,014—0—0
(c) Water tax	„	41,919—0—0
(d) Sale of water	„	21,945—0—0
(e) Other receipts	„	2,019—0—0
Total		<u>67,933—0—0</u>

As to gardens, Captain Waistell who was officiating Electrical Engineer while I was on leave, suggested that a fee of Rs. 3/- p. m. be levied per thousand gallons but in most cases the gardeners are taking more than allowed, and in comparison to the income the loss seems to be much more. I therefore would suggest the licenses be issued at the basis of measurements and in no case should the fee be less than Rs. 5/- as minimum for a small garden. I consider the revenue could be greatly increased if every bungalow were compelled to be metered, and the roadside standpipes and cisterns done away with, except where absolutely essential. The Board might consider this proposal.

H. B. CHANTREY,
Electrical Engineer,
City Board, Naini Tal.

Sanitary Report of the Municipality of Naini Tal for the year ending 31st March 1924

One copy to be transmitted direct to the Sanitary Commissioner on or before the 30th April.

Questions.	Answers.
<p>1. State the total annual income, excluding opening balance, the opening balance, the receipts from conservancy and the expenditure on conservancy during the year.</p> <p>2. State briefly the chief sanitary defects, the remedial measures adopted, and new projects under contemplation.</p> <p>3. State briefly the sanitary works executed or in progress during the year including—</p> <p>(A) Sewage and drainage :—</p> <p>(1) Number of house connections for sullage and sewage.</p> <p>(2) Improvements to sewage or drainage.</p> <p>(B) Improvements to water supply with the number of new house connections.</p> <p>(C) Improvements to conservancy, namely—Number of public and private water-borne latrines.</p> <p>(D) Improvements to site.</p> <p>(E) Any other improvements that may have been effected.</p>	<p>1. Total annual income excluding opening balance Rs. 4,29,462 The opening balance „ 2,00,950 The receipts from conservancy „ 54,602 The expenditure on conservancy (item 16 of the balance sheet) „ 42,728</p> <p>2. Sanitary defects. The unsatisfactory state of disposal of refuse and that of sewerage still exist. Majority of bazar houses and of Wilsongunj area are in deplorable condition on account of want of space being old and inhygeinically built and daily increasing population. The out-houses and latrines of many bungalows are also in disgraceful state of affairs. There is a shortage of urinals. The water supply for flushing purposes is also inadequate.</p> <p>3. The remedial measures adopted. Recommendations for more incinerators and putting the sewerage in efficient state have been made and where possible burning of refuse was resorted to on a larger scale.</p> <p>(A) The existing sewer which is of very small diameter has been thoroughly scraped and flushed during the year. Two urinals one on North Mall Road and one on South Mall Road will be under construction in near future.</p> <p>(1) Two house connections were made.</p> <p>(2) Some of the storm water drains were improved and repaired by the Public Works Department and the Municipal drains by the municipal overseer.</p> <p>(B) The water to the town is now supplied through Hydro-electric power in place of steam engine. Eleven house connections were made during the year.</p> <p>(C) Nil.</p> <p>(D) 1. Gardening of the Lake fore-shore. 2. The platform for the Motor Transport is being enlarged. 3. A play ground for the boys at Babulia is under construction. 4. A pony stand near the polo-ground was erected.</p> <p>(E) 1. Improvement to Malli Tal bathing shed. 2. Construction of an incinerator at Talli Tal. 3. Special repairs to the beef market. 4. Improvement to the ceilings of the Municipal Bakeries. 5. Improvement to the fowl house Malli Tal. 6. Erection of an office room at slaughter house Talli Tal. 7. Erection of a retaining wall to protect Saria Tal pony-sarai. 8. Construction of an operation shed at Veterinary Hospital Malli Tal. 9. Construction of railings at back line Malli Tal. 10. Provision of materials against protection of fire.</p>

Questions.	Answers
<p>4. How the refuse and night-soil are removed and disposed of?</p> <p>(a) The places appointed under section 273.</p> <p>(b) The number and pattern of public latrine seats for males and females in working order.</p> <p>(c) The number and pattern of urinals and dustbins.</p> <p>(d) The number and pattern of private latrines in use, and</p> <p>(e) Total number of cesspits approximate amount of sullage per day and the number of carts used for removal.</p> <p>5. State the number of notices issued under sections 186, 192, 211, 245, 267, 268, 269, 276, 278 and 284 and the number complied with under each section.</p> <p>6. State if byelaws have been made under the following heads of section 298, A, B, C, D, E (c), F, G, I, & J (a), (b) (d).</p> <p>7. State the number of cases prosecuted under the Adulteration of Food and Drugs Act and the results.</p> <p>8. Give a brief report on the—</p> <p>(a) General health of people.</p> <p>(b) Particularly of any out-break of epidemic disease during the year, with date of commencement and termination, the methods adopted to control the epidemic and arrangements for isolation of infectious cases.</p> <p>(c) The number of children born and the number of deaths under one year of age from 1st January to 31st December, 1923 and</p> <p>(d) The areas which record the highest death rates.</p>	<p>11. Improvements in the compound of Nanda Devi Temple.</p> <p>4. The refuse is partly carted away and thrown into the Khuds out-side inhabited area but major portion is incinerated. Night-soil is carried to the pail depots in closed buckets and ultimately disposed of at Runsi Sewage Farm.</p> <p>(a) There are eight pail depots where night-soil is disposed of ; and there are nine incinerators of old pattern and ten of new design where rubbish is burnt. Almost all bungalows have got dustbins. Shop-keepers and tenants in bazars are ordered to keep refuse tins for the temporary deposit of refuse which are emptied by municipal sweepers.</p> <p>(b) 84 male seats water flushed. 35 „ „ Gumbala type. 22 Female „ water flushed. 8 „ „ Gumbala type.</p> <p>(c) There are eight urinals, seven of them are of no special type, while one urinal is water flushed. The dustbins are of open masonry type excepting four which are of new design.</p> <p>(d) 837 private latrines are of kadamcha type. A few are of Hornbury type. There are only four water flushed latrines.</p> <p>(e) Almost every latrine and kitchen of the bungalows has catch-pits for its sullage. This catch pit is emptied by buckets and the sullage is carried to the pail depots. The amount of sullage is not known.</p> <p>5. 500 notices under section 267. 2 notices under section 278.</p> <p>6. Nil.</p> <p>7. 18 cases were prosecuted and fined Rs. 685.</p> <p>8.</p> <p>(a) The general health of the people was good.</p> <p>(b) There was no epidemic of any special kind. There were only four isolated cases of small-pox. They were isolated to Manora Epidemic Hospital, and treated there.</p> <p>(c) The number of children born was 349 and the number of deaths under one year of age was 56.</p> <p>(d) The two bazaars Malli Tal and Talli Tal record highest death rates.</p>

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Secretary, Municipal Board,
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I. C. S.,
Chairman, Municipal Board, Naini Tal.

K. L. KAPUR, D. P. H.,
Capt Medical Officer
of Health, Naini Tal.

Abstract of Assembly Rooms account for the year ending 31st March 1924

Receipts.	Amount	Total	Expenditure	Amount.	Total
By balance in hand on 1-4-1923 ...		223	Pay of establishment...	578	
By rent of Central hall and Northwing for the year 1923-1924 ...	1600		Fire Policy ...	377	
By rent of Library for the second half year 1922 and the first half year 1923. ...	500		Annual repairs ...	342	
By rent from Mr. C. Wyatt Miles (Palace Cinema) ...	281		Dividend to debenture holders for the second half year 1921 ...	555	
By rent of rooms Ayarpatta wing for the second half year 1922 and the first half year 1923. ...	499	2880	Renewal of glazed windows ...	191	
			Miscellaneous ...	3	2046
			Balance on 31st March 1924 ...		1057
Total	3103		...	3108

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Chairman.

Naini Tal Hydro-Electric Annual Report 1923-24.

Generating Station.—There is nothing in this connection. The machinery and the buildings are in good order except as per overseer's report there are superficial cracks showing. There are no spare parts as yet for want of funds and as soon as the unspent balance is received from the Public Health Department these will be ordered.

Pipe Line.—The pipe line is in good order, except that there are occasional leaks in the joints, which are always repaired immediately. Only one cast iron pipe has given way in the past year.

Distribution System.—There is nothing to complain. The system is satisfactorily working since August 1922. One high tension insulator broke on April 9th, 1923, causing an entire shut down for 4½ hours, since when the span in question has been shortened. On the night of the cyclone at Bareilly on the 14th March 1924, the plant was shut down for 45 minutes owing to the high winds blowing weeds into the pipe line intake. Distribution line has been extended to Krishnapur. Guarding is being provided where the low tension wires and the telegraph and telephone wires cross. The telegraph department has put under-ground cables through which certain crossings have been done away with and all necessary guarding of the high tension lines. The overhead bazar connections have been deleted, doing away with the unsightly network of wires. The trunk telephone and telegraph lines have been diverted from Gangipur to below the power station. Service cables have been fixed throughout the bazars and every house installed has been provided with a suitable cut out, and the bazar contract system is now controlled night and morning, current being provided only between one hour before sunset and one hour after sunrise. The appended is a list of consumers to March 31st 1924.

Metered system	... 296
Contract „	... 230
Power and heating	... 39

Road Lighting.—The road lighting is reduced to about half from October 15th, to April 15th, to conserve the lake water.

Naini Tal Lake.—A pump is being installed at Ballia ravine to conserve the seepage water and to discharge this into the screening chamber. The survey of Bhowali, Bhim Tal and Haldwani proposed extensions is in progress.

Pump House.—Public Health Department have handed over all the mains and plant and all are working satisfactorily except Ayarpatta rising main which is often troublesome due to old and worn out pipes, which have, I believe, been in use for some 20 years.

General.—B. Sangram Singh, mains superintendent, B. Bhagwan Dass, power house superintendent, B. Bishambher Dayal, overseer, and B. Shib Datt, Electrical Engineer's clerk on the staff have worked hard and deserve the utmost credit.

H. B. CHANTREY,
ELECTRICAL ENGINEER,
City Board, Naini Tal.

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From

E. H. H. Edye, Esqr., I. C. S.,

Deputy Commissioner, & Chairman, City Board,

To

NAINI TAL.

THE COMMISSIONER,

Kumaun Division.

Dated 11th/12th June 1923

Sir,

I have the honour to submit the annual administration report of the Naini Tal Municipality for the year ending 31st March 1923 with the statement and appendices passed by Board's special resolution No. 12 dated 30th April 1923. The report is late. The delay, which is regretted, has been due to an epidemic of sickness among the staff, and to preoccupation with enquiries made by the P. H. D. in connection with the Hydro Electric Scheme-enquiries the answering of which was exceedingly laborious.

2. I was Chairman throughout the year except for the period 28 April to 8 August 1922 when Mr. R. W. Bigg-Wither, I. C. S. acted for me. Captain Oorbett, I. A. R. O. continued as Vice Chairman: during his absence from the station Messrs LeMaistre and Busher acted in his stead.

Constitution.

3. Elections held in September 1921 which had been nullified in Government Notification No. 3199/XXIII-50 dated 31st March 1922 were revived by Government orders No. 2277C/XI-669E dated 19th October 1922 and the new Board came into existence on 1st November 1922. As a result of this the personnel of the Board was affected as below from this date:

Elections.

In the class } of } Proprietors }	L. Chandra Lal Sah was replaced by L Joga Sah Kumaiyan.
In the class } of } Petty-holders }	Rai Sahib L. Jai Lal Sah was replaced by P. Nilamber Pant Vakil.
In the General } electorate Class }	M. Sham Lal replaced L. Govin Lal.

4. Altogether 14 meetings of the Board were held. Of these 9 were by the previous and 5 by the new Board. It is to the credit of the members that none proved abortive for want of a quorum. Those most regular in attendance were.

L. Keshi Sah Bazar Chaudhari	14
Mr. Busher	12
Sh. Abdul Qaiyum	12
Mr. Eastmond, District Engineer	10
Rai Sahib L. Jai Lal Sah	9

The average attendance greatly improved being 57 per cent for official and 85 per cent for non-official members, as against 38 and 70 respectively in the previous year. The bulk of the routine work was, as usual, disposed of by the various committees which held meetings as below :—

Public Works Committee	11
Finance	10
Toll and Taxes	9
Public Health	4

The Assessment Committee met several times, and the Market and Education Committees once each.

Income

5. Excluding the opening balance of Rs. 53,374 the receipts for the year (item 52 on page 25 of form A) amounted to Rs. 17,96,091. From this must be excluded Rs. 14,75,638 being the Hydro-electric and water supply scheme loans, grants, and the Electric supply receipts for the year which are dealt with in a subsequent paragraph; also other grants of Rs. 20,060.

The figure of actual receipts thus obtained is Rs. 300,393 compared with Rs. 266,063 the corresponding figure for the previous year or an improvement of Rs. 34,330. The increases and decreases on the main heads of revenue are as under:—

	Increases	Decreases.
Rates and taxes	Rs 30,401	
Realizations under special Acts		39
Revenue derived from Municipal property and powers, apart from taxation <i>excluding Hydro electric receipts of Rs 18,638 (item 24 a)</i>	11319	
Miscellaneous		8213

Expenditure.

6. The total disbursements (item 53 on page 26 of Form A) amounted to Rs. 16,48,515. Excluding the expenditure on Hydro-Electric construction and maintenance, amounting to Rs. 13,79,468, the ordinary disbursements stand at Rs. 2,69,047 against similar figures of Rs. 2,64,993 for the previous year. The increases and decreases on the main heads are as follows:

	Increases	Decreases.
General administration and collection charges	3925	
Public safety	4372	
Public Health and Convenience, excluding Hydro Electric expenditure, (items 31 (a) and 31 (b).)	6770	
Public instruction	63	
Contributions	146	
Miscellaneous		11,869
Extraordinary and debt	239	

7 (A) Receipts

Item 3. House tax yielded Rs. 9,048 more than in the previous year, mainly due to rise in the rate of tax from 9 to 10 per cent from 1st July 1922, and partly to enhanced rents.

Important variations.

Item 6. Tolls rose by Rs. 13,528 the revised rates being in force the whole of the year as against only 7 months in the previous year. Tolls were also levied on firewood and charcoal from 1st January 1922.

Item 7. Water tax yielded Rs. 3097 more due to rise in rents.

Item 9. Scavenging tax rose by Rs. 4,798 for the same reason and also because closer vigilance was exercised on outhouses occupied in winter.

Item 16. Rents of lands, houses etc. The fall of Rs. 565 is due to intra-departmental transfer of certain lands to Forest Department and consequent non-accrual of rent (Rs. 180) therefrom, and the fact that in the previous year we obtained a premium of Rs. 260 on 2 plots of land leased.

Item 20. Fees from medical institutions.

The drop of Rs. 409 is due to the late reopening of the veterinary dispensary, and the presence of other veterinary surgeons in the station.

Item 21 (b) Slaughter fees dropped by Rs. 502 due to reduced rate. It is also stated that all the officers of the Eastern Command now draw their supplies from the Supply and Transport Depot.

Item 23 (1) Under sale of water the recovery of arrears and of cost of water used for building purposes increased the receipts by Rs. 1,336.

Item 23 (2) The rise of Rs. 345 for water meter rents is due to recovery of arrears and a few new connections.

Item 23.(3) Other items—the extraordinary rise of Rs. 10568 is really the refund of the irrevocable Bank Guarantee of Rs. 10,000 (which had to be lodged with the Coal Transportation Officer before he would move any coal for us) and a small amount representing sale of Water Works cinders.

Item 23 (c) Jhampani registration fees increased by Rs. 239 due to stricter enforcement of the byelaws.

Item 24. Fines brought in Rs. 210 more due to greater vigilance exercised over offences and heavier fines inflicted.

Item 41. Miscellaneous other items. There is a fall of Rs. 8209. This is due to certain abnormal receipts in the year previous (viz. Band contributions from the Club and Royal Hotel and a refund by the Public Health Department of money paid from Municipal funds towards Hydro Electric Construction.)

Item 50. Deposits are higher by Rs. 852 due to securities lodged by the Fuel and Charcoal contractors, the sale depots now being under the control of the Board from 1st January 1923.

(B) Disbursements.

Item 1. Leave allowance to the Accountant who was on 15 months leave, and audit fee payable under the new rules are responsible for the increase of Rs. 1,589.

Item 4 (a). Standard designs of houses for Malli Tal and Talli Tal bazaars in connection with the Town Improvement scheme were prepared under the supervision of Mr. Eastmond, District Engineer, and the increase of Rs. 2,608 represents the charges incurred.

Item 9. Rs. 4,372 represents the increased cost in street lighting due to their being electrified during the latter half of the year.

Item 13. The increase of Rs. 4,813 is due mainly to the deposit of Rs. 10,000 made for guarantee demanded by the Coal Transportation Officer before any coal could be supplied us.

Item 14. Drainage capital outlay increased by Rs. 2,476 due to special repairs carried out to Cheena drains by the District Engineer. We have been promised return of our money on the District Engineer receiving a Government grant for the maintenance of drains under the recommendation of Burn Committee.

Item 15. Drainage establishment. We paid Rs. 2,117 less to District Engineer as the Public Works Department year now closes on 31st March instead of on 30th June as previously.

Item 16 (c) Expenditure on conservancy plant and contingencies has decreased by Rs. 1,016.

Item 17. Charges on account of Health Officer increased by Rs. 929 due to our having from the 31st July onward a Medical officer of Health on a salary higher than the grade pay. We had no Medical Officer of Health in the previous winter.

Item 21. Other sanitary requirements showing an increase of Rs. 2881 are shown in the programme of original works (Form B). The principal items responsible for increased expenditure are (a) improvements to the Malli Tal bathing shed (b) providing a much needed shelter for ponies near the Flats and (c) the purchase of implements to clear the main sewer.

Item 25. Gardens. The purchase of a lawn mower and the improvements to the lake foreshore are responsible for the increased expenditure of Rs. 816.

Item 30. Roads. The decrease of Rs. 589 is due to the cause stated under item 15 supra.

Item 41 (b). The increase of Rs. 2,024 is due to bonuses granted to certain employees under the Provident Fund Regulations.

Item 41 (d) Expenditure on rents is lower by Rs. 2,414 as the Board no longer pays for housing the Band.

Item 41 (f) Miscellaneous. The reduction of Rs. 10,173 is due to the fact that in the previous year cost of improvements to Khurpatal water supply was incurred; also we paid in that year the full maintenance charges of the Band from contributions collected. This we no longer do.

Closing balance.

8. Closing balance. The year opened with a balance of Rs. 53,374 which included Rs. 1059 the unspent balance on Hydro-electric account. The closing balance of the year amounts to Rs. 200,950. From this should be excluded Rs. 97,229 on account of Hydro Electric moneys as below:—

Amount included in the opening balance	...	1,059
Surplus over expenditure.	...	96,170
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Total		97,229

The ordinary balance of the board is thus

Rs 103,721. This figure is made up of:

Unspent balance of Khurpa Tal water supply scheme.	2,087
do. Town Improvement scheme.	2,689
do. Government grant in repayment of Board's own money spent in hill side safety repairs.	11,262
Incomplete Works.	4,217
Total Rs. ...	<u>20,255</u>
Abandoned work.	6,300
Actual revenue.	77,166
Total Rs. ...	<u>103,721</u>

9. Financial position. If the Hydro Electric scheme is wholly excluded from Board's finances it may well be said that during the year of report the Board has succeeded in improving its financial position. But this can in no way be considered a permanent improvement; as though the season has well advanced we have not had the usual number of visitors in the station; some ten houses in the civil station and a few bazaar houses are yet untenanted, and hotels and boarding houses have some rooms yet to book. All this affects adversely our principal sources of revenue-Tolls and Property taxes. There are also some schemes shelved for years for want of funds which have a legitimate claim for execution on Board's revenues e.g. the proper housing of the City Board's Office and the provision of a proper Motor Station. The principal increases of revenue are Rs. 13,500 under Tolls Rs. 9,000 under House Tax, Rs. 3,000 under Water Tax, and Rs. 4,800 under Scavenging Tax. These are due to a general rise in rents, and in the case of House Tax also to the enhancement of rate from 9 to 10 per cent for one year from 1st July 1922. Owing to the decrease in the number of visitors rents should now begin to fall, and it is therefore unlikely that it will be possible to revert to the 9 per cent rate of House Tax. Ordinary services have to be maintained and a degree of efficiency and a standard of amenities higher than would otherwise be necessary is expected at the Summer Headquarters of Government.

Financial position.

Once the Hydro Electric liabilities are allowed to encroach upon the Board's ordinary finances we are manifestly bankrupt. Without these the Board's annual liabilities for repayment of previous loans amount to Rs 25,360. Our liabilities for repayment on the Hydro Electric scheme stand at present at Rs. 152,974 a year, and will almost certainly be higher before the scheme is completed. Maintenance charges are bound to be higher than annual receipts for some years yet and the Board's ordinary finances cannot be allowed to make the deficit balance good. Our request to Government for assistance has not yet merited the generous treatment the Board feels it deserved, and the Rs. 30,000 annual grant promised for three years commencing from the current year cannot do much to improve our position. When the scheme was first presented an annual profit of half a lakh was estimated, and the Board accepted it on the strength of that estimate. Within less than 24 months the cost of the scheme (through no fault of the Board) assumed a magnitude out of all proportion to the original estimate; and the Board found itself irretrievably committed to a venture which from the financial point of view is utterly unsound. The real position of the working of the scheme can, however, not be gauged with any degree of exactitude until the Board has had experience of a whole year's working with the full estimated load carried by the plant. But with the initial cost incurred, and yet being incurred, we can see no hope that the scheme will ever be able to pay for itself.

Government Grants.

10. The grants received from the Local Government during the year amounted to Rs. 180,060 as below.

Non-recurring.

For Hydro-Electric Scheme construction	Rs. 160,000
In recoupment of Board's funds spent on hill side safety works in previous years	Rs. 14,000

Recurring.

For general sanitary purposes.	Rs. 5,000
Towards part pay of Sanitary Inspectors.	Rs. 1,060

Para 9 of the last year's report will show that the Board approached Government for a grant of $4\frac{1}{2}$ lacs of rupees to meet the deficit in the Hydro electric working, of which Rs. 1.20 lacs were asked for in the year of the report. This request was refused in G. O. No. 1948/XI 451 E dated 7/8th September 1922 to the address of the Commissioner, and all that Government agreed to do, was to postpone annual repayment of the Hydro electric construction loan at 7 % per annum of Rs. 9 lacs until 1st January 1925, and to promise subject to voting of funds by the Legislative Council, annual grants of Rs. 30,000 in each of the 3 years 1923—24 to 1925—26.

While the Board offers thanks for what the Government has so far given, it can not but ask for more generous treatment; seeing that owing to the original estimate being revised the Board being already committed was forced to take a subsequent Hydro electric loan of Rs. 9 lacs. The annual repayment of loan liabilities are now an extremely heavy toll on the Board as will appear from the succeeding paragraph.

Loans.

11. The annual repayment on account of loan liabilities amount to Rs. 178334 as detailed below

(1) Water Works loan	Rs. 23014
(2) Market loan.	2346
(3) Hydro electric original loan of Rs. 9.82 lacs. @ 6 % p. a.	70,966
(4) Meter purchase and house-wiring loan of Rs. 70,000 @ 7 % p. a.	9850
(5) Hydro Electric Revised Scheme loan of Rs 9 lacs @ 7 % per annum	Rs. 72,158
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Total Rs. 1,78,334	

Though Government have kindly postponed repayment of instalments of the last item until 1st January 1925 to pay the remaining amount of Rs. 106176 during the current and the succeeding year is not within the powers of the Board without heavily embarrassing its finances. It would be worth while noticing here that the annual loan recurring charges of Rs 152974 (items 3,4 and 5) are wholly due to the Board launching upon a scheme which promised an annual profit of half a lac after the maintenance charges and loan liabilities had been provided for. Owing to fall of exchange and higher constructional rates the original promise of half a lac became an anticipated saving of Rs. 10000 a year on the scheme reaching finality, its machinery carrying the full load, and the anticipated full demand being developed. The Board regrets that it has no great confidence even in this chastened anticipation. In any case it feels that it is justified in asking that the finance of the scheme be kept entirely separate from its ordinary finance and that it be required to make repayments only from the net revenue earned from the scheme after maintenance has been provided for.

12. Excluding the Hydro Electric Scheme the allotment for original works (vide form B for details) was Rs. 30621. Work estimated to cost Rs. 6800 was abandoned: the work on Town Improvement Scheme was suspended for financial reasons and we are carrying forward Rs. 4217 for incomplete works. We carried out works to the extent of Rs. 16986 during the year. In this amount is included Rs 2738 which we had to pay for an urgent Hillside safety work (special repairs to Cheena drains) to the District Engineer on promise of its return on the Public Works Department receiving maintenance grants from Government for provincialisation of the upkeep of drains, under the Burn Committee recommendation of October 1921. Other works of improvement carried out, or in progress during the year were (1) survey of portions of the two Bazaar areas in relation to the Town Improvement Scheme and preparation of standard designs of houses proposed to be erected thereon; (2) improvements of the Malli Tal bathing shed; and (3) providing a much needed shelter for horses and ponies near the Flats. The special repairs to Melville Road, Bough Cottage Road and Cheena Lodge Road were carried out by the Public Works Department and for these the board paid Rs. 4077. It is admitted that Government expects the Board to execute such repairs for the future out of its own funds as a civic obligation, as it will not for some time have funds at its disposal to continue its past generous grants; and the Board would not press this point if Government could arrive at a final decision in regard to provincialisation of the upkeep of drains, the annual maintenance charges of which were estimated at Rs 8680 by the Burn Committee. The Board have indirect information that Government was pleased to allot on this account Rs. 3000 during the year of the report; but the District Engineer did not receive the money and is understood to be making departmental enquiries in the matter.

13. The outstanding feature of our Water Works as of some others in the Provinces has been an annual recurring loss. The receipts for the year stood at Rs. 76,881 and the maintenance charges were Rs 89399. These figures are swelled on either side by Rs. 10,000 deposited with a Calcutta Bank, which deposit the clumsy system of the Industries Department required us to make before the Coal Transportation Officer could move any coal for us; the amount was returned to us before the close of the year. Taking into account the annual repayment of sinking fund and loan interest of Rs. 23,014 the net expenditure was Rs 1,02,413 and net receipts amount to Rs. 66,881; a net deficit of Rs 35,532 in the year. The board is, through its Assessment Committee, examining how far unmetered are benefitting at the cost of metered houses and to what extent the former can be taxed more equitably.

Supply during the hot months was more irregular than in the previous year and all that was possible was done to meet complaints. Whether the yield from our springs is insufficient to meet the full demands of the station during the summer months or whether our worn out steam plant cannot pump sufficient water can only be known when the Electrical pumps, which have not yet commenced to work to the extent assumed by the Hydro-electric Scheme have shown what they can do. We mean to keep the steam plant as a stand by for at least a year. We vainly hoped that the electric pumping plant would work before the close of last year's season. Delays have however occurred; the mains to be transferred from the Cheena side to Ayarpatta are yet to be laid and it was only on the 21st of May current that test drives were undertaken by the firm of Messrs Mather and Platt, the engineers for the installation of the pumps and the motors commenced sending water through the high zone and the low zone mains. There have been three bursts recently on the new pipes laid by the Public Health Department and the Board is advised that on testing some pipes are found not to be of the standard specification.

Appendix D shows that the consumption of pumped water increased to 512 lacs gallons (1922-23) from 410 lacs (1921-22). The "Chhota Barsat" began on the 25th May 1922 and the number of wet days was greater than in the previous year. The inexplicably high figures must therefore be considered, as in previous years, to be mathematically calculated rather than arrived at by actual measurement.

Coal stock at the beginning of the year was 150 tons. 1059 tons were purchased during the year and the year closed with 177 tons. The Superintendent has reported that the percentage of dust received was much higher than in previous years 86½ tons of dust and unburnable coal were written off during the year and 40 tons from the new coal are now lying at the Water Works which has proved unsaleable. It has recently been suggested that mixed with mortared cement the dust can be moulded into bricks, and the experiment has yet to be tried. After this year it will be unnecessary to comment on our steam plant, which has served us well for 25 years. Mr. Hodgen, the Superintendent, on the eve of his retirement due to installation of electric pumps, is to be congratulated on his good service for a term of about 11 years.

To supplement the coal the price of which during the year of report worked at Rs 58/4 a ton, 9695 maunds of fuel are reported to have been burnt. 3144 maunds of wood were purchased at /12/ annas a maund & 7647 maunds were supplied from the municipal forests, valued at Rs 1911-12 annas royalty

We have succeeded in finding employment for the engine house and water distribution establishment under the electric water supply and the only post in that scheme which goes to a new man is that of the Electrical Mistri.

Health and sanitation

14. The general health was very good and there were fewer cases of notifiable disease. Four cases of relapsing fever, nine of small-pox and one of mumps (total 14) were treated at the Manora Infectious diseases hospital. In the year previous 50 cases were treated at this hospital. The maintenance charges amounted to Rs. 1,801-7-9 as against Rs. 1,967 in the year previous. The District Board meets one quarter of the total expenditure.

348 births were registered as against 334 in the previous year. Deaths recorded were 292 including 69 under one year of age; 366 were recorded in the year before. The infantile mortality increased from 170 per mille to about 184 per mille. A trained mid-wife has not been available.

The main sewer gave no trouble during the year, having been properly cleaned in winter. The discharge of sullage water into the public open drains has continued and efforts are being made to stop the undesirable practice. The nuisance however can only be eliminated after our sewerage system has been remodelled. There is no present prospect of the board being able to finance a sewerage improvement scheme. The soapy water from the bathing shed in Malli Tal which used to find its way into the Baranadi and collect in a malodorous pool underneath the culvert at the crossings of the East Laggan and Garden roads has been arrested by a pipe leading into the Malli Tal sewerage tank, but women from the neighbouring bazaar still resort to the bed of the Baranadi to wash their clothes. The bathing shed was recently improved at a cost of about Rs 3,000.

The draining of lake water to generate electric power had left a naked lake foreshore which was somewhat improved by dressing the slopes and planting a few flower beds towards the close of the year. The only other important sanitary work taken in hand during and completed after the close of the year is the horse-shelter near the Flats.

1,107 vaccinations were performed during the year of which 47 percent of secondary and all primary are reported successful. The total cost of vaccination was Rs. 692.

Major Murison, Assistant Director of Public Health, II Range, made a sanitary inspection of the municipality and criticised our sewerage system, flushing arrangements, incineration of refuse, and the housing conditions in the two bazaars and Wilsongunj. He advocated conversion of private latrines into water flushed ones, the improvement of the Runsi sewerage farm and growing of fodder crops there, the impounding of more water in the lake by raising its banks, or connecting springs at Saria Tal and near Kūberī in order to obtain a more adequate supply of water for installing a water flush system of latrines in Schools, hotels, clubs and private residences: the provision of municipal dairies, the licensing of milk vendors and the enforcement of the dairy byelaws. The inspection note was referred by the Board under special resolution No. 16 of 29th July 1922 to the Public Health Committee. This committee agreed with Major Murison's report but remarked that lack of funds prevents the suggestions being put into practice. Many improvements were, however, considered as possible to be put into practice at a comparatively low cost, and the committee in their resolution No. 4 of 8th August 1922 desired their Medical Officer of Health to formulate a practical scheme within the means of the Board. The Board still awaits a report.

As to sewerage system improvement, which according to a previous sanitary programme is calculated to cost nearly 2 lacs, it may at once be said that the Board cannot expect to find funds out of its revenue for a number of years to come. As to incineration we have planted 17 incinerators of designs given us by Sanitary experts from time to time, and we have the construction of another two in view in the current year. During summer months the potable supply of water has been found insufficient for the demands of the station, and the lake water has now to be conserved to the fullest extent for our electric generation plant. Water for drains, pail depots, slaughter houses and the like is now regulated and can be made available only for a few hours every day. It is obvious therefore that the conversion of the present type of latrines into water flushed ones is entirely out of question for the present. A purely Municipal dairy cannot possibly be attempted for obvious reasons but the Board would be willing to help any private enterprise in this direction. We licensed milk vendors before but this is no longer permissible under the law.

The site below the Bhowali road for a nearer burning ghat was disafforested during the year, demarcating pillars were constructed, and the promoters of the scheme were duly notified. No apparent move has, however, yet been made by the community that asked for the site.

Until 31st July 1922 P. Mahima Datt, Senior Sanitary Inspector, was in charge of the Health Department, and on that date Capt Kapoor, D. P. H. took up the appointment of the Medical Officer of Health to the Board. He has given his particular attention to the Manora infectious diseases hospital.

During the year certain new buildings have been erected on modern lines at both ends of the two bazaars, and though congestion may be relieved somewhat, rents have still an upward tendency. Men of small means, and officials on low salaries have in no way been benefitted by these constructions. The Town Improvement Scheme will apparently have to be shelved owing to financial stringency, but the Board would consider giving out building sites to desirable people who will adopt the standard design of houses planned for the Town Improvement. With a few more new houses built it may reasonably be expected

ed that rents will come down in due course. Before the close of the year an unsightly and ramshackle building was dismantled from a prominent locality and is now being replaced by a new building suitable to the surroundings.

Four chemical and 156 bacteriological analyses of water were carried out by our local analyst, Major Watson R. A. M. C., and the results, except a few in the rains, were all generally satisfactory.

The quality of milk somewhat improved during the year and only 5 prosecutions were instituted which all ended in conviction. No samples of ghee or other food stuffs were taken during the year.

The annual contributions of Rs. 1,135 to the District Board for hospitals and dispensaries, and of Rs. 2,000 to the Ramsay Hospital were made. The Inspector General Civil Hospitals has advocated more help to the Crosthwaite Hospital, and it is the intention of the Board to do what it can in this direction during the current year.

Hydro Electric scheme

15. Para 13 of the report for 1921-22 states briefly how the increase of the original estimate of Rs. 11,39,639 to Rs. 20,73,387 in the Revised estimate was explained by the Public Health Department. This revised estimate was received on the 2nd March 1922 and was submitted to the Board at their meeting of 18th March 1922. Between these dates it had to be circulated to Members; the interval was insufficient for proper study. Mr. Hoey, Superintending Engineer P. H. D kindly attended this meeting and explained that the work had progressed so well that supply of electric energy might be expected within the next few months. At this advanced stage of work, with liabilities incurred, the Board felt that it had no option but to approve the estimate; and it submitted it to the Commissioner for transmission to Government. The Board however by special resolution No. 14 of that date invited attention to para 36 of the report prefixed to the original project and to para 8 of the note by Superintending Engineer on the revised estimate from which it was clear that the Board must face an annual working deficit for 7 years. To meet the increased cost the Board applied for a second loan from Government. This loan was for 9 lacs, bearing interest at the higher rate of 7 per cent per annum, repayable in 30 years: the first loan repayable in same period of Rs. 9-82 lacs was at 6 per cent per annum interest. The Board had upto this time had no adequate facilities provided for a study of Revised estimate. After repeated requests a copy reached the Board in March 1923, that is, a year after its compilation, and four months after the full amount of the revised estimate had been paid up-the last payment on account having been made by the Board on the 16th November 1922.

The first test drive of current for electric lights was made on 8th August and regular supply may be said to have been available from 1st September 1922. It is interesting to note that the scheme had started working and the Board as the interested party had not been furnished with a copy of the Revised estimate. The Board has throughout strongly resented the general attitude of the Public Health Department that its only function in regard to this scheme is to furnish such funds as the Public Health Department may from time to time require.

Receipts for supply of energy etc. for the year of report amounted to Rs. 18,638 which include Rs. 8,000 paid by the Board by Book transfer for electrifying public roads and streets. Cost of maintenance which included Rs. 41,317 on account of loan charges was Rs. 66328 or a deficit working balance of Rs. 47690.

The Board under the advice of Mr. Bell Electric Engineer, Mussoorie, took a loan of Rs. 70,000 for purchase of electric meters, and to assist house owners who were unable to put in their own money

in installing their houses-the Board to receive back their money with interest in ten yearly re-payment instalments. Messrs. Metropolitan Vickers Ltd. were, under the advice of Mr. Bell, appointed as the Board's approved contractors to wire the houses. Their rates were not acceptable to the Public and very few took loans. By the time Board asked the firm to make a reasonable reduction in prices, consonant with quality of materials, they closed down their business and the contract automatically terminated in March 1923. Fresh tenders have been called for.

By the end of the year 205 installations for light and 10 only for power had been carried out. Two premises outside the compulsory area of supply were connected. Energy for light is supplied at annas six per B. T. U.—the maximum permissible rate under our license being eight annas—and a uniform rent at the rate of Rupee one per point per month had been decided upon, and several consumers have claimed that past bills rendered be amended in terms of the average monthly consumption recorded by the meters. This claim is not maintainable as the terms and conditions of supply which were published were well known to all consumers. Coercive processes have brought in much of the arrears which were heavy at the close of the year, and disconnection notices to persistent defaulters have issued.

The Bazaar contract system which applies up to 4 points—5 points or over to be metered—and the minimum monthly charge for which is Rupees two per light point has found favour with the bazaars, and more than 40 per cent have now electric lights.

Power for heating and cooking was decided to be given at annas three per B. T. U. and the rate was not attractive. It was then reduced to 1½ annas per B. T. U. and only 10 have so far taken it as, it is said, it does not compete favourably with firewood or charcoal even at the lower rate. Whether a further reduction should not be made will be considered in due course. Meters which Mr. Bell was authorised to obtain were supplied by Messrs. Metro-Vickers Ltd. They reached us at the end of December 1922 and over 200 have now been installed.

The entire position of the Hydro Electric finances at the close of the year stood as below.—

A. Hydro Electric Scheme.

Receipts.	1920-21	1921-22	1922-23	Total.
	Lacs.	Lacs.	Lacs.	Lacs.
Grants.	1.50	.40	1.60	3.50
Loans.	2.60	8.95	12.27	18.82
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			Capital Receipts Rs.	22,32,000

Expenditure Rs. 4,13,948 4,29,998 12,72,816 21,16,757

Credit Balance Rs. 1,15,243.

B. Hydro Electric Supply working for the year.

Receipts	18638
Maintenance and loan repayments	66328
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Debit balance Rs.	47,690.

C. Meter purchase and Housewiring Loan account.

Receipts.	...	1922-23
Loan.	...	Rs. 70,000
Expenditure.		
Meter purchase	20,340 }	...
House wiring.	19,984 }	40,324

Credit balance Rs. 29,676.

From A. (Rs. 1,15,243) we made good the deficit balance in B. (Rs. 47,690) and at the end of the year had a credit balance of Rs. 67,553 (We were entitled to do this as the report on the original estimate assumed one whole year's running expense) In C. we had a credit balance of Rs. 29,676.

Total credit Rs. 97,229 on 1st April 1923.

The special feature of this scheme has been that as time goes on the anticipated yearly profit declines. Apparently the higher the initial expenditure the lower the financial return.

Para 28 of the report on the original project read:—

“With the supply fully developed there should be little difficulty in paying all charges and showing an annual profit of over Rs. 50,000 as far as the electric supply is concerned.”

This report provided for Rs. 1,72,414 as one year's running expenditure and assumed half the cost of the scheme being met by grant (paras 38 to 40 of the report).

The report on the revised estimate, which does not appear to make any provision for a year's working expenditure, reads at para 8:—

“A reasonable anticipation of profits with the supply in full working is now about Rs. 39,000 against the anticipated Rs. 70,000 in the original project”

Yet at a later date in December 1922 we learn through a communication that the anticipated saving will be only Rs. 10,000 a year. It remains to be seen whether this modest anticipation will be realised.

The loan repayments on account of Hydro Electric at present amount to an annual sum of Rs. 80,816 and after 1st January 1925 to Rs. 1,52,974. The Board is not confident that the scheme will ever bring in revenue sufficient to balance loan liabilities and maintenance charges. To take a loan to pay a loan is crazy finance, and the Board can only reiterate its request that Government will either help us to tide over the barren years, make a generous further grant, or be pleased to wipe out a portion of our loan liabilities.

The little surplus of the grant and loan money (Rs. 67,553) we carried forward to the current year helped us to pay the half yearly loan repayment instalment of Rs. 35,483 on the first loan of Rs. 9.82 lacs on due date viz 5th April 1923, also to pay the Hydro electric staff their salaries for March and April 1923. The electric supply receipts for April 1923 amounted to net Rs. 1,513 only and the maintenance charges were Rs. 3,305. The deficit on the closed year's work remained did not suffice to meet the sudden demand above at B. What 41,000 made by the P. H. D. who threatened to stop work unless this amount was paid immediately. As stopping the work would involve us in even greater loss, we paid the money to complete the scheme under protest; the method by which it has been extracted from us is that of the footpad. This matter is now the subject of correspondence.

In this transaction the Board were constrained to pay Rs. 8,930 out of the balance of House-wiring loan as savings from Loan and Grant moneys for the scheme were short by this amount. The position rendered then is that we have no funds to pay further loan liabilities during the year, which amount to (Rs. 35,483 + 9,850) Rs. 45,333, nor the few pending bills in the Electric Office, and if collections are not sufficiently good the staff may have to wait for their salary and wages for May 1923. It is earnestly hoped that Government will see the reasonableness of our request for further assistance, and it is trusted you will urge upon Government the great necessity of relieving the situation.

Mr. H. B. Chantrey, A. M. I. E., was appointed as the Board's Electrical Engineer part time from 15th August 1922 and fully from 1st October 1922 on a monthly salary of Rs. 1150-50-1250 on a three years' agreement. The appointment was sanctioned in G. O. (P. W. D., B. and R.) No. 2780E/18-1922 dated 3rd August 1922. The power station staff was selected by him and the Mussoorie linesmen, who constructed the distribution and transmission lines, were taken over.

The electric pumps and meters installed by the firm of Messrs. Mather and Platt have started their test drives of water to the High & Low zones from the 21st May 1923 and water for a few hours daily is now pumped electrically. The relaying of mains on Ayarpatta has not yet been completed, and some bursts in the newly laid pipes on the lines to Cheena and Pilgrim tank have been reported.

The conservation of lake water has now become of great importance as it is the only fuel for generating electric power. We have been advised that lake water is worth Rs. 1.10 per 1,000 gallons and the Board have decided to charge those that draw on the lake the cost of water, though at a reduced rate for the present. It is also proposed to arrest all seepage water from the lake and to pump it back so that the store is not reduced to the inconvenience of those that have to draw on it, or to the detriment of generation. Certain proposals of the Public Health Department to enable us to store more water than at present are under consideration.

A note by the Electrical Engineer on the working of the Hydro Electric scheme is appended to this report.

16. This seasonal Hospital opened on 8th May 1922 a month later than in the years 1920 and 1921. The Veterinary Department could not depute a Veterinary Assistant earlier. It closed on the 31st of October this year and on 15th in the previous year. 265 outpatients and 41 inpatients were treated during the season against 308 out and 66 indoor patients in season 1921. The earnings were only Rs. 542 against an expenditure of Rs. 989 compared to Rs. 951 earnings and Rs. 1,196 expenditure during the previous season. The Veterinary Assistant, P. Shanti Chandra Kausik, explains the unpopularity of the hospital as due to the Veterinary Surgeon in the Eastern Command being more generally consulted by owners of animals. This may be so to some extent but the greater cause is probably the late opening of the dispensary and the fact that the Veterinary Assistant had no experience of Naini Tal. With another year's experience he would have perhaps been more successful but this season a new man has been deputed who reached us only on the 3rd of May.

Veterinary Hospital.

The dispensary badly needs an operation shed. Our proposals under the Town Improvement scheme located the dispensary buildings at the back of the Haring (Alliance Bank), which site afforded space for the operation shed also. For financial reasons the Improvement scheme may have to wait a few years, and as funds are available the pine-needle shed close to the present dispensary building can with alterations and extensions be converted into a shed for operations.

Roads, Drains and
Lake.

17. The rainfall of 1922 was more than normal being 125 inches as against 110 in 1921 and 121 in 1920. The heaviest fall in any one single day was 8.70 inches on July 12th. There were 7 falls of snow; the heaviest one of 18 inches on December 22nd, 1922.

The "Chhota Barsat" began on the 25th May and lasted until 12th July when the real monsoon set in and lasted until the 23rd September i. e. 74 days. Rain fell on 71 days of this period so that 96 per cent of the days may be taken as wet days. This is a great increase on the percentage of previous years: 80.8 in 1919, 83.7 in 1920 and 83.2 in 1921. The District Engineer reported that the Naini Tal station drainage system worked well but the heavy falls of July and August did, as usual, some damage. On the 12th July a big slip from the right bank damaged the toe of the Fairy Hall drain considerably. On the same date a big slip on the right bank of the Reserved Police Lines drain did damage to fall No. 8 at the bed of the race below it. Debris and boulders continually came down between the 12th July and the 2nd August from Cheena Hill and filled the catchpits of drains below. The District Engineer asked for special repairs to these drains in 1921 but owing to financial stringency no allotment could be made. In the year of report the District Engineer drew the Board's attention to the fact that the damage in this particular case is cumulative and should the rush of water leave the drain and break into a new channel very serious consequence may result; and the Board before the close of the year made an allotment of Rs. 2738 out of its own revenues so that work may be executed before the coming rains and the apprehended danger may be averted. The District Engineer promised to return our money should he receive a grant from Government as he should do under the terms of the Burn Committee's report which recommended the provincialisation of the drainage system of the station. The drains on Ayarpatta hill are reported to have worked well excepting No. 48 which starts from Wellesley Girls' School. The capacity of this drain is insufficient and the sides need raising a foot. On Sher-ka-danda a big boulder was dislodged and caused damage to drain No. 13. The roads on Ayarpatta stood very well, but the southern portion of the Upper Ayarpatta Mall requires barrelling with side and cross drains. On the peculiar hill side of Sher-ka-danda 3 small slips took place on Melville road, 2 on Bough Cottage and 2 on Cheena Lodge road. The late District Engineer (Mr. A. Eastmond) was of the opinion that as formerly no liberties should be taken by allowing excavations in the areas already proved dangerous on this hill side.

All the drainage of the water shed finds its way into the lake, and the storage of lake water which is the fuel for generation of electric power has become of great importance. There was considerable percolation of water in building the intake of the Hydro-electric scheme, and at one time the lake level fell 1.08 feet below the zero mark of the lake gauge. The control of lake sluices which has now passed to our Electrical Engineer is of great importance; Mr. Eastmond suggested that during the rains the lake be kept at a low level otherwise with sudden storm it will be necessary to open the sluices more than 12 inches. Opening more than 12 inches will, in his view, seriously damage the falls of the Ballia ravine. The lake at present supplies water to places within and outside the Municipality and it is considered that all seepage water in the Ballia, which to a large extent is believed to be occasioned by the heavy excavations and blasting carried out between the intake and the screening chamber of the Hydro-electric scheme, must be arrested by a bund and pumped back so that the supply to the places that have received it for years may not be interrupted. All this means extra cost to the Board, and it seems but right that all who benefit by the water should pay their proportionate share towards any initial expenditure or maintenance. We do not yet propose to charge for lake water at the rate suggested by the Government experts

as fair when electric supply is fully developed; but it is hoped that Government will admit reasonableness of our claim that the cost of ensuring supply to those who get their water free should not fall upon the Board.

In the past Government has always met the charges of abnormal repairs caused by monsoons to our roads and hill sides. In view of financial conditions we have been told to execute these repairs in future as a civic obligation. In regard to the drainage system, however, on the proper maintenance of which depends largely the safety of the station, the Board hopes that Government will relieve the Board of their present maintenance charges.

Mr. A Eastmond, M. C., the District Engineer who also was Board's Engineer was generally of great help and gave valuable advice. It is to his credit that our roads and drains during a year of an exceptionally heavy rainfall have stood well.

18. The Board's own school which is a free primary institution for boys was maintained at a cost of Rs. 2,644. The school building which is in Malli Tal provides insufficient space and rooms were again rented in the bazar to accommodate the overflow. The private school in Talli Tal known as the Diamond Jubilee Branch School was given a grant of Rs 400 during the year, as against Rs 300 in the previous year. We sent a teacher from the Board's school for training to Bhim Tal Training School, and as soon as he returns we hope to be able to send another. Our teachers received their grade pay during the year, and we further helped them by allowing a house rent of Rs. 5 per month to the Head and Rs. 4 per month to the Assistant teachers. We had to remove one teacher as no longer desirable to impart education. We agreed to introduce compulsory vernacular education to boys of school going age. Statistics asked for by Government were submitted during the year, and final orders are awaited. The initial building grant we asked of Government in the previous year to enable us to take over the Talli Tal school has not yet been received. It is presumed, this proposal is being merged in the scheme for compulsory education. The schools were visited by the Assistant Inspector of schools during the year and the Education Committee is taking action on his report.

Education "Boys"

Government maintains a Model Girls' School in Malli Tal. Of the three private institutions, the Arya Girls' school Talli Tal has been taken over by a local gentleman, and no longer receives a maintenance grant from the Board. The promoter is willing to erect a proper school house at his own cost provided a suitable site is made available. The American Mission, which formerly maintained a Girls' School in each bazar closed the Malli Tal school because the attendance fell so low that its continuance was not considered justifiable. Consequently the Mission forgot to apply for any grant during the year and the Board made none.

'Girls'

The enrolment for boys increased during the year of report and on 31st March 1923 stood at 142 for the Municipal and 85 for the private school. The figures were 117 and 68 in the previous year. The new missionary in charge of the Zenana Mission reopened the Malli Tal Girls' school about the close of the financial year. On March 31st the enrolment was 20. Enrolment at Talli Tal Mission school on the same date was 47.

A proposal was made during the year to open a class for English in the Board's vernacular school at Malli Tal. A decision has not yet been arrived at but with the limited accommodation in our school building, which has proved insufficient for the existing vernacular classes, the addition of an English class will hardly be wise. If the difficulty

of finding sites and proper housing for our existing institutions can be surmounted we will have achieved something. We can no longer depend on the Town Improvement scheme to do this for us, and must wait to see whether the scheme of compulsory education will bring us sufficient funds to enable us to erect or purchase suitable school buildings.

Towards the close of the year the Cantonment Fund contributed Rs. 50 in aid of education. This sum was thankfully received and passed on to the Talli Tal Boys school which was badly in want of funds. For the current year the Board has contributed a sum of Rs. 1,000 to this school to enable the payment of a living wage to the teachers.

Assembly Rooms.

19. Appended to this report is a statement of Assembly Rooms accounts for the year ending 31st March 1923. The income of the year Rs. 4,786, was somewhat higher than the Rs. 4,136 of last year. The library which occupies a large and the better portion of the upper flats failed, as in previous years, to pay in full its rent liability, and of the Rs. 600 annual rent, which is a low figure for present times, Rs. 200 were in arrears at the close of the year. The R. & K. Railway who were our lessees have yet to pay the balance (Rs. 200) of their rent for the year. They transferred their business to the Naini Tal Motor Transport Company, and collection is being negotiated. The total expenditure was Rs. 4,549 which included payment of dividends to debenture holders for the year 1920 and the first half of 1921. Establishment charges were Rs. 626, repairs cost Rs. 266, and Rs. 502 were paid for fire insurance. The last amount includes Rs. 125-6-0 extra premium to cover cinema shows during season 1923, paid in advance. Credit balance at the close of the year stood at Rs. 223.

The leasing of the building to a syndicate is suspended for the time being, as the Palace Cinema lease continues to end of season 1924. The earlier it is possible to replace this rickety building by something up to modern requirements or to remodel it the better it will be for the station and the community.

Rules and byelaws

20. Rules for the assessment and collection of the Scavenging Tax were overhauled during the year, and are now in submission to Government. The Toll rate schedule was revised so as to legalise imposition of a small rate of 6 pies per laden sheep, which during the winter were the principal means of transport employed by the local contractors; it was also amplified to remove an alleged anomaly under which a carrying company escaped payment of toll on a motor bus because a local court held that under our schedule only a laden motor lorry could be taxed. We also framed rules for the maintenance of the Hydro-electric Accounts. These are now before the Government for confirmation.

The Slaughter house byelaws were amended to prohibit slaughter of calves under two years of age, excepting those received from the Patwa Dangar Vaccine Depot; as these latter are no longer fit for breeding purposes. The Bachi Gaurh Dharm shala was made over to the Board's control, and necessitated byelaws which were framed. Under these byelaws no traveller may reside in the Dharm shala, which is for Hindus only for more than 3 days.

Hired ponies were formerly under no control. Byelaws to bring them under control which were framed during the year of report are now being enforced. Under these byelaws a syce or other person plying a horse for hire must bear a badge with a distinctive number exposed to view. A small licensing fee of Rs. 5 per animal is charged. The receipts from this source will be earmarked for construction of pony shelters which are necessary to protect animals during inclement weather. Objections were raised, as was to be expected, but 54 ponies

have now been licensed. Three licenses had to be withdrawn as in one case the animal proved to be dangerous and in two cases the owners' conduct amounted to a breach of our byelaws and rules.

Rates of hire of Jhampanies were lowered for the current season. The Jhampani byelaws are being as strictly enforced as last season, and 714 men have been licensed.

21. The accounts for the year were audited from the 7th June to the 11th July 1922 and on completion of audit only four items remained unsettled. The accounts were described as in order and our supervision and management of tolls was complimented. The Board's request to be allowed to keep the Hydro-Electric account and budget separate from the ordinary accounts and budget of the Municipal fund proper was not accepted by Government, but we have been permitted to maintain subsidiary accounts and budget which we are now doing.

Audit and accounts.

22. The total number of cases convicted by Courts for which fines were credited to Municipal Funds were 52, the amount of fines being Rs. 506-8-0; of these five were for adulteration of milk. 68 cases were compounded for Rs. 788-8-0. Of these 36 were for breaches of forest law, 22 in respect of licenses (15 jhampanies) 1 of Slaughter byelaws, 2 of Lodging house byelaws, 2 of Building byelaws, 3 of evasion of tolls and 2 of breaches of Market rules. The problem of milk supply has not yet been solved. A representative of the Dalhousie Dairy Farm came to prospect before the close of the year, and was shown lands in the vicinity of Manora hill, but came to no present decision. The latter lands have insufficient water and pasturage round is scant. He promised to come again during the season and if facilities could be provided in the adjoining Reserves a start could probably be made. This farm has for over a year been keeping a few cattle at the Bhowali sanatorium.

Prosecutions.

23. Our collections of house and water taxes were 98 and 97·8 per cent of our actual demands, and we collected Rs. 8,200 more than our budgetted demand for scavenging tax.

Collection of Taxes & rates.

On 1st April 1923 arrears amounted to Rs. 8,372 under the following heads:—

(1) House tax	Rs. 1,220
(2) Water tax	" 925
(3) Scavenging tax	" 3,875
(4) Rents	" 139
(5) Markets.	" 137
(6) Sale of Water	" 1,801
(7) Rent of water meters	" 275

We have since collected Rs. 3,024 of which Rs. 1,264 are for item (3) and Rs. 850 for item (6). Winter scavenging tax bills for occupation of cottages by others than the 2 caretakers who are exempt are difficult to collect and a large proportion of the balance is the accumulation of previous years which will have to be written off in due course.

Forest.

24. The revenue of the year was Rs. 1,365 compared with Rs. 1,467 in the previous year. Fewer trees were felled in the year of report under the Hydro-electric scheme. 104 trees were sold to the public at a cost of Rs. 1,133. 200 trees were cut and delivered to the Water Works for fuel, 39 were used for the Manora Hospital, Conservancy Carts, Municipal garden, and fuel depot repairs, and 12 trees were supplied to the P. W. D. for constructions of barriers etc. 484 cattle were impounded, and Rs. 173 were the pound receipts. 36 breaches of Forest law were convicted or compounded and Rs. 192 were received on this account. Rs. 72 were expended during the year on the forest nursery, sowings, plantings, and transplantings into blank coupes of compartments 8 and 9.

P. Ganga Ram Ranger, a very faithful servant of the Board retired on 31st March 1923 after a service of 38 years. He has been succeeded by Th. Man Singh, the senior patrol.

Work of the Board.

25. Mr. Bates I. C. S., Joint Magistrate, was the President of the Public Health Committee, Mr. Eastmond, M. C., District Engineer of the Public Works Committee, and the Education committee was presided over by Rai Sahib L. Jai Lal Sah, and after his retirement from 1st November 1922 by Mr. Busher, M.A., who with Mr. LeMaistre acted for the Vice-Chairman during Capt Corbett's absence.

Capt J. E. Corbett as before gave me invaluable assistance both generally and as Vice-Chairman. The whole Board has maintained its tradition of devotion to the interest of the station and of avoiding internal dissension and I have always been able to rely on its support. I would especially mention L. Keshi Sah, Mr. Busher, and Sh. Abdul Qaiyum, who have been very regular in attendance.

Staff.

26. The Secretary, B. Abinashi Lal, has again had a very heavy year and has not spared himself in the service of the Board. Hydro Electric work has added greatly to his duties, as it has to mine.

Mr. Chantrey, Electrical Engineer, has had arduous and anxious work, especially in the winter.

The staff has done excellently. I mention in particular. —

B. Ganga Ram Ranger, now retired.

B. Bishambar Dayal Overseer.

L. Prem Lal, Toll Supervisor.

P. Mahima Datt }

Mr. Gowan }

Sanitary Inspectors.

B. Har Prasad, Head Clerk.

P. Liladhar, Acting Accountant.

P. Durga Datt, Cashier.

Acknowledgment.

27. The Board is indebted to Major H. P. Cook, I. M. S., Civil Surgeon, and Mr. A. Eastmond District Engineer who have always been ready to assist when necessary.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant

E. H. H. EDYE, I. C. S.

Chairman, Municipal Board

NAINITAL.

Enclosures.

1. Copy of Special Resolution Nos. 12 and 13 of a meeting of the Municipal Board of Naini Tal held on the 30th April 1923.
2. Statement in form A.
3. " " " B.
4. Appendix A.
5. Appendix B.
6. Appendix C.
7. Appendix D.
8. Appendix E.
9. A brief report on the working of the Naini Tal Water Works.
10. Sanitary Report.
11. Abstract of the Assembly Rooms Account.
12. Report by the Electrical Engineer.

E. H. H. EDYEE I. C. S.

Chairman.

A. L. SAH

Secretary.

Copy of Special Resolution No. 12 of a meeting of the Municipal Board of Naini Tal, held on the 30th April 1923.

The statement and appendices to accompany Annual Administration Report for the year ended 31st March 1923 to be considered and passed.

PASSED.

Copy of Special Resolution No. 13 of a meeting of the Municipal Board of Naini Tal, held on the 30th April 1923.

Sanitary Report for the year ending 31st March 1923 to be considered and passed.

PASSED.

A. L. SAH,

Secretary.

E. H. H. EDYE, I. C. S.

Chairman,

Form A.

Statement showing the income and Expenditure during the year
ending 31st March 1923.

(1922. 1923.)

Municipality of Naini Tal Population { 16,517-Summer
10,392-Winter

Rs.	P.	A.
124	17	62
8	1	08

Number of item	Heads of income.	Actuals of last year 1921-22	Estimate of current year 1922-23	Actuals of the current year. 1922-23	
1	2	2	4	5	
		Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	
1	BY BALANCE IN HAND AT CLOSE OF LAST YEAR MUNICIPAL RATES AND TAXES—	37,225	53,374	53,374	Includes balance Rs 1054 on Hydro Electric a/c at the close of last year.
3	Tax on the annual value of buildings and lands	50,920	59,000	59,968	
4	Tax on animals and vehicles—				
	(a) tax on vehicles and other conveyances and on boats, ...	218	230	230	
	(c) tax on animals used for riding, driving, etc, ...	1,692	1,800	1,700	
6	Tolls (on roads and ferries) ...	59,893	64,000	73,421	
7	Water tax ...	38,620	39,500	41,717	
9	Conservancy (including scavenging and latrine) taxes ...	49,430	46,000	54,228	
10	Other taxes Lake Frontage tax † ...	991	901	901	
11	Total rates and taxes.	2,01,764	2,11,431	2,32,165	
	REALIZATIONS UNDER SPECIAL ACTS—				
12	From pounds ...	200	150	173	
13	From licences for petroleum ...	107	125	137	
14 (a)	From other sources grass* ...	137	95	95	
15	Total ...	444	370	405	
	REVENUE DERIVED FROM MUNICIPAL PROPERTY AND POWERS APART FROM TAXATION —				
16	Rents of lands, houses,, <i>sarais</i> (rest houses) dakh-bungalows, etc. ...	9,286	8,600	8,721	
17	Sale proceeds of lands and produce of lands, etc. ...	1,467	400	1,387	
18	Conservancy receipts (other than taxes and rates) ...	230	50	99	
19	Fees and revenue from educational institutions ...	6	8	8	
20	Fees and revenue from medical institutions ...	951	542	542	
21 (a)	Markets ...	6,312	6,400	6,325	
21 (b)	Slaughter houses ...	5,213	4,700	4,711	
22	Sale of water.				
	(1) Sale proceeds of water ...	19,045	17,000	20,381	
	(2) Rent of meters ...	1,791	17,00	2,136	
	(3) Other items ...	2,079	12,000	12,647	
23 (a)	Copying fees ...	82	70	99	
23 (c)	Registration fees for jhampanies ...	208	450	447	
23 (d)	License fees on dandies etc. ...	585	600	614	
23 (e)	Municipal Registration fee for dogs ...	1,247	1,250	1,294	
24	Fines under Municipal and other Acts ...	1,193	1,300	1,403	
24 (a)	Hydro electric receipts ...	...	21,000	18,638	
	Interest on Investments				
25	For general purposes ...	...	200	200	
29	Total ...	49,695	76,270	79,652	
	Carried over ...	2,51,903	2,88,071	3,12,222	

Judicial fines under special Acts should be credited under "Fines" (item 24).

Number of item.	Heads of income.	Actuals of last year 1921-22	Estimate of current year. 1922-23	Actuals of the current year. 1922-23
1	2	3	4	5
		Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
	Brought forward ...	2,51,903	2,88,071	3,12,222
	GRANTS AND CONTRIBUTIONS (FOR GENERAL AND SPECIAL PURPOSES)—			
	From Government.			
30	For general purposes ...	8,874	6,060	20,060
31	For town improvement ...	6,000	...	...
32	For Hydro Electric Supply ...	40,000	1,60,000	1,60,000
	Total ...	54,874	1,66,060	1,80,060
	MISCELLANEOUS—			
40	Recoveries on account of services rendered to private individuals ...	120	75	116
41	Other items ...	13,732	5,375	5,523
42	Total ...	13,852	5,450	5,639
43	TOTAL INCOME OF YEAR EXCLUDING OPENING BALANCE.	3,20,629	4,59,581	4,97,921
	EXTRAORDINARY AND DEBT—			
45	Loans. { From Government for Hydro Electric supply construction and House wiring & meter purchase ...	3,95,000	12,97,000	12,97,000*
	Total ...	3,95,000	12,97,000	12,97,000
48	Advances { Permanent ...		10	10
49	{ Other ...	...	...	...
50	Deposits ...	308	300	1,160
51	Total ...	308	310	1,170
52	TOTAL RECEIPTS EXCLUDING OPENING BALANCE.	7,15,937	17,56,891	17,96,091
53	TOTAL RECEIPTS INCLUDING OPENING BALANCE.	7,53,162	18,10,265	18,49,465
	Excluding Hydro Electric receipts items 24 A, 32 A, and 45 ...	...	3,32,265	3,72,768
	Item 24 (a) Rs. ...	...	21,000	18,638
	32 (a) ...	...	1,60,000	1,60,000
	45 ...	...	12,97,000	12,97,000
	Opening balance (Hydro electric money) ...	...	...	1,059
	Total ...	...	14,78,000	14,76,697
54	Incidence of taxation (column 11) per head of population ...	12-3-5	12-12-9	14-0-11
55	Incidence of income (column 43) per head of population ...	19-6-7	18-2-2	30-2-4

*Of this Rs. 700,00 is the House wiring and meter purchase loan.

ESTIMATED EXPENDITURE.

Number of item.	Head of Expenditure.	Actuals of last year 1921-22	Estimate of current year 1922-23	Actuals of the current year. 1922-23
1	2	3	4	5
		Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
	GENERAL ADMINISTRATION AND COLLECTION CHARGES—			
1	General administration (office establishment, inspection, honorary magistrates establishment, etc.)	13,181	14,770	14,770
2	Collection of taxes including bonded ware houses (establishment, purchase of account books and paper, money boxes, repairs, to outpost etc.)	1,634	1,800	1,520
3	Collection of tolls on roads and ferries	7,834	7,660	7,619
4	Survey of land	...	742	49
4(a)	Town improvement	354	5,646	2,957
5	Refunds (other than octroi)	497	600	510
	Total	23,500	31,218	27,425
	PUBLIC SAFETY—			
9	Lighting (establishment, purchase of lamps, oil, repairs, etc.)	10,209	14,600	14,581
	Total	10,209	14,600	14,581
	PUBLIC HEALTH AND CONVENIENCE—			
12	Water supply { Capital outlay	369	60	35
13	Water supply { Establishment, repairs etc	84,586	89,399	89,399
14	Water supply { Capital outlay	600	1,000	3,076
15	Water supply { Establishment, repairs etc	8,520	6,991	6,403
16	Conservancy (including road cleaning and watering and latrines)			
	(a) Subordinate establishment	38,815	41,000	38,801
	(b) Cost and feed of livestock	849	900	843
	(c) Plant and contingencies	3,250	2,297	2,234
17	Charges on account of health officers and sanitary inspectors.	5,200	6,300	6,135
18	Hospitals and dispensaries	5,262	5,000	5,000
20	Vaccination.	746	780	692
21	Other sanitary requirement.	2,508	15,823	5,389
22	Market and slaughter-houses.	1,095	820	712
23	Pounds.	36	50	36
24	Dak bungalows and <i>sarais</i>	85	100	44
25	Arboriculture, public gardens and experimental cultivation.	498	1,315	1,314
26	Veterinary charges.	1,196	1,100	989
27	Registrations of births and deaths	...	...	...
28	Public works { Establishment	6,523	7,000	6,556
29	Public works { Buildings	1,302	1,000	913
30	Public works { Roads.	17,059	18,800	16,470
31	Public works { Stores.	69	500	308
31(a)	Hydro Elec. supply construction	4,34,441	14,57,000	13,13,140*
31(b)	Do—Expenditure and Maintenance etc.	...	75,000	66,828
	Total	6,18,015	17,32,235	15,64,812
	Carried over	6,18,015	17,32,235	15,64,812
		6,46,724	17,78,053	16,06,818

*Includes Rs. 41,317 on account of repayment and interest on Hydro Electric loans

Number of item.	Heads of expenditure	Actuals of last year. 1921-22	Estimate of current year 1922-23	Actuals of the current year. 1922-23	
1	1	3	4	5	
	Brought forward ...	Rs. a p 6,46,724	Rs. a. p. 17,78,053	Rs. a. p. 16,06,818	
32	PUBLIC INSTRUCTION				
32(a)	Schools and colleges.	2,890	3,085	2,967	
	Construction and repair of school buildings	91	100	77	
35	Total	2,981	3,185	3,044	
36	CONTRIBUTIONS— For General purposes	2,071	3,820	2,217	
37	MISCELLANEOUS—				
	Interest due on account of previous year	...	...	...
38	Interest due on account of current year	7,268	6,442	6,444	
40	Actual cost of work done for private individuals	69	100	45	
41	Printing charges.	2,974	3,000	2,657	
41(a)	Law charges	93	100	...	
41(b)	Provident fund	1,065	1,550	3,089	
41(c)	Government share of nazul proceeds	259	260	211	
41(d)	Rents	1,988	600	574	
41(f)	Miscellaneous	14,368	1,450	4,195	
42	Total	29,084	19,502	17,215	
43	TOTAL EXPENDITURE—	6,80,806	18,04,560	16,29,294	
47	EXTRAORDINARY AND DEBT—				
47	Re-payment of loans	18,092	18,918	18,916	
48	Permanent	10	10	10	
49	Other	880	500	295	
50	Deposits	...	...	...
51	Total	18,982	19,428	19,221	
52	TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	6,99,788	18,23,988	16,48,515	
	Excluding Hydro Elec. expenditure items 31(a) 31 (b)	...	2,91,988	2,69,047	
54	Actual balance	53,374	40,277	2,00,950	
	Excluding Hydro Electric.	...	...	1,03,721	
	Total	53,374	40,277	1,03,721	
57	GRAND TOTAL	7,53,162	3,32,265	18,49,465	
59	Excluding hydro electric Permanent advance	1,000	...	3,72,768 1,000	

Should show the total of items 43 and 51
52 and 55.

Dated the 24th April 1923

A. L. SAH

Secretary.

B. H. H. Eaye 1923.

Chairman.

Item 31 (a)

Item 31 (b)

Total

—	14,57,000	13,13,140
—	75,000	66,828
—	15,32,000	13,79,968

Note.—Outstanding on uncashed cheques at the close of the year was Rs. 12369/ Receipts for 29th March 1923 credited (vide G. O. No. 1825/XI-10-H dated the 1st November 1919) on 3rd April 1923 was Rs 6185/-
I hereby certify that the closing Balance at the credit of Naini Tal Municipality at the end of March 1923 is Rs. 2,07,153-11-6
Two lacs Seven Thousand one Hundred thirty three, annas fifteen, and pice five.

J. P. NICHOLSON
Treasurer Officer

Remarks

Form B.

Municipality of Naini Tal

Statement of Expenditure on Original Works during the year 1922—23.

No.	Nature of Work,	Total estimated cost	Amount expended in previous year.	Amount allotted in year of report.	Amount expended during the year of report.	Remarks
GENERAL ADMINISTRATION AND COLLECTION CHARGES						
SURVEY OF LAND.						
1	Town improvement ...	6,000	354	5,646	2,957	Work Suspended.
2	Revised municipal boundary pillars ..	642	...	642	49	In progress.
PUBLIC HEALTH & CONVENIENCE.						
WATER SUPPLY CAPITAL OUTLAY.						
3	Protection from contamination of sources of high level springs ..	60	...	60	35	Completed.
4	<i>Drainage Capital outlay.</i>					
	(a) Special repairs to drains ...	1,000	...	1,000	338	Completed.
	(b) Special repairs to China drains ...	...	...	...	2,738	Paid to P. W. D. refundable on their receiving maintenance grant from Govt. for the drains.
<i>Other Sanitary Requirements Urgent Sanitary Work.</i>						
5	(a) Road retaining wall to Dhobighat	1,979	268	1,711	526	Completed.
	(b) Special repairs to incinerators & Chimneys					
	(c) Any others					
6	Main sewer cleaning implements & accessories	1,700	...	2,500	1,572	Completed.
7	Lake weeding ...	500	...	300	86	Completed.
8	Construction of a catchment pit with an extension of C. I. pipe near Talli Tal P. O. for Talli Tal bathing ghat ..	102	...	102	16	Completed.
9	Improvement to Malli Tal bathing shed ..	2,855	...	1,000	996	In progress.
10	Cleaning of the lake in front of the temple ...	250	87	163	...	In progress.
11	Special repairs to rubbish carts ..	250	...	250	...	
12	Cleaning debris and Bajri away from the back of the traveller's Sarai at Saria Tal and repairs to the latter ...	120	...	120	85	
13	Construction of a shelter for horses near Flats ..	3,377	...	3,377	2,108	In progress.
14	Acquisition of land and out houses from Seven Oaks estate and constructing a shelter for ponies ...	6,300	...	6,300	...	Abandoned.
<i>Arboriculture Public gardens.</i>						
15	Special repairs to Green House in Jubilee Memorial Garden ...	250	...	250	212	Completed.
16	Purchase of "Lion" lawn mower with grass box ...	100	...	100	94	Completed.
17	Laying out of grass slopes ...	1,000	...	1,000	470	In progress.
<i>Public Works Roads.</i>						
18	Special repairs to roads ...	4,000	...	4,100	4,077	Completed.
19	Improving the flats (laying bajri) ...	2,000	...	2,000	627	In progress.
20	Hydro electric and water supply construction scheme ...	20,73,387	8,43,941	12,72,539	12,72,816	In progress. Revised estimate amount has been paid in full.
Total ..		21,05,872	8,44,650	13,03,160	12,89,802	

A. L. SAH

Secretary

E. H. H. EDYE, I.C.S.

Chairman.

Appendix A.

Statement showing the constitution of the Board for the Municipality of

Nini Tal during the year ending 31st March 1923

Name of District.		Serial Number of Municipality	Name of Municipality.	Act under which constituted.	Population within Municipal limits.	PARTICULARS AS TO CHAIRMAN.				NUMBER OF MEM- BERS OF BOARDS.										REMARKS					
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24		
						Elected non-official.	Elected official	Nominated non official	Nominated official	Ex officio.	Nominated.	Elected.	Total.	Officials.	Non officials.	Europeans	Indians	Total No. of meetings held including those specified in columns 19 & 20.	Number of meetings out of the total in column 18 which proved abortive for want of quorum.	Number of meetings out of the total in column 18 which were adjourned	Average percentage of officials present at each meeting.	Average percentage of non-officials present at each meeting	Average percentage of all members present at each meeting		
Naini Tal						66																			
Naini Tal																									
Act II, of 1916																									
Government Census of 1921						Summer 16517																			
Winter 10392						...																			
						...																			
						...																			
						Nominated Official																			
						2	3	6	11	2	9	5	6	14											

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I. C. S.
Chairman

Appendix B.

Statement showing the expenditure on, and the condition of, all schools maintained from or aided by the Municipal Fund Naini Tal.

I		No. of schools or training classes.							Expenditure from municipal funds.								Remarks.
		No. of scholars on rolls on the 31st March 1923.															
		2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
									Cost of teachers.	Contingencies, etc.	Inspection.	Scholarships.	Contributions to district board.	Grants-in-aid.	Total recurring expenditure.	Buildings and occasional repairs.	
Intra-Municipal schools managed by municipal or district board	Primary schools	1	...	...	...	32	110	...	*2416	†151	...	...	...	...	2567	77	*Includes pay of one teacher under training Rs. 147 Pay of Chowkidar at 12 p. m. 144 House allowance to teachers 133 Includes Training allowance. Rs. 47
	Preparatory school	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Total	...	1	...	...	...	32	110	...	2416	151	...	...	...	2567	77	
Intra-municipal colleges and schools aided by municipal Board	Preparatory schools	...	1	...	...	...	85	...	...	...	...	...	...	400	400	...	
		
	Total	...	1	...	...	...	85	...	...	...	...	...	...	400	400	...	
Total boys' education		...	2	...	...	32	195	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Girls' schools aided by municipal board.	Primary schools	...	2	...	...	...	67	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Mission Girls school, Malli Tal 20 do do 47 Application for grant from Mission Zenana schools not received during the year. Annual grant is Rs. 350
	Total girl's schools	...	2	67	
	Total expenditure from municipal funds.	2416	151	400	2,967	77	

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Chairman.

APPENDIX C.

Showing expenditure on water works and sewerage and drainage works in the Naini Tal municipality.

Water works				Sewerage and drainage works				Remarks.
Nature of charges.	Budget allotment.	Amount of expenditure	Total.	Nature of charges.	Budget allotment.	Amount of expenditure.	Total.	
1.—Establishment—				1.—Establishment —				
(a) Permanent establishment		14940		(a) Permanent ...				
(b) Office contingencies ...		377	15,317	(b) Temporary ...				
(c) Rent ...				(c) Office contingencies ...				
				(d) Rent ...				
2.—Pumping —				2.—Construction—				
(a) Coal ...		57195		(a) Sewers ...	1700	1572		
(b) Oil and waste ...		1236		(b) Surface drains ...	1000	3076	4,64	
(c) Other stores. ...		2131	60,552	(c) Latrines ...				
				(d) Pail depots ...				
3.—Intake—				3.—Repairs—				
(a) Training river				(a) Sewers ...				
(b) Clearing channels and wells				(b) Surface drains ...	6991	6403	6,40	
4.—Settling tanks and filters.				(c) Latrines...				
(a) Clearing settling tank	89399			(d) Pail depots. ...				
(b) Clearing and renewing filter beds,				4.—Machinery —				
(c) Purchase of sand ...				(a) Purchase of new machinery.				
5.—Distribution—				(b) Repairs to old machinery				
(a) Pipes and fittings. ...		3825		5.—Other Charges—				
(b) Meters ...		293	4,118	(a) Compensation for land taken up.				
6.—Repairs—								
(a) To tanks. ...		207						
(b) To buildings and grounds		17						
(c) To machinery ...		7824						
(d) Tools and plants ...		644	8,692					
7.—Water analysis ...		720	720					
Total ...	89,399	89399	89,399	Total	9691	11051	11,0	

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Chairman

APPENDIX D.

WATER WORKS.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS DURING THE YEAR 1922-1923.

<i>Population</i>										
By census of 1921 in municipality ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	16,517
Ditto cantonment ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	802
Total								...	17,319	
<i>Cost of works.</i>										
Initial capital cost	...	...	...	...	...	Rs.	...	...	2,47,000
Cost of extensions and improvements to end of previous year	...	...	...	...	...	"	...	...	4,22,808
Ditto ditto during the year	...	...	...	...	...	"	...	...	35
Total cost of works								"	...	6,69,843
<i>Consumption of filtered water.</i>										
During the year including cantonment	...	...	...	...	...	Gallons	...	...	5,12,41,593
Daily average ditto...	...	...	...	...	...	"	...	...	1,40,387
Maximum daily average in any one month	...	...	...	...	...	"	...	...	2,99,461
Daily average for cantonment alone...	...	...	...	...	...	"	...	...	5,632
Average number of hours filtered water pumped daily	...	...	...	...	...	"	...	...	14.98
<i>Annual charges and receipts.</i>										
Maintenance charges	...	...	...	...	...	Rs.	...	...	89,399
Total charges with interest and payment of loan						{ Maintenance Rs 89399 Interest and loan repayment Rs 23,014 }			1,12,413	
<i>Income from water works.</i>										
Water-rate recovered during year	...	...	...	...	...	Rs.	...	...	41,717
Sale of water and other receipts	...	...	...	...	...	"	...	...	35,164
Total income								"	...	76,881
<i>Number of house connections at end of year.</i>										
For purely domestic purposes	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	255
For other purposes	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	25
Total								...	280	
Number of connections with meters	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	275

A. HODGEN,
Superintendent
Water Works

E. H. H. EDYE,
I. C. S.
Chairman

APPENDIX E.

Statement of expenditure from non-recurring grants and loans for the year ending
31st March 1923.

Particulars of loan or grant (authority purpose and amount.	Amount taken up to the end of last year.	Amount received during year under report.	Total	Expenditure up to end of last year.	Expenditure in the year under report.	Total	Balance of loan taken up to date left unexpended.	Remarks.
Government grant for Hydro Electric scheme and improvement to water supply. G. O. No-103I/XI-451 E dated 4-7-1920 and Board of Public Health's no 446 B P. H-27 of 20-4-22.	1,90,000	1,60,000	3,50,000					
1st Loan for the Hydro Electric scheme and Improvement to water supply Construction of Rs. 9.83 lacs 6 per cent p. a repayable in 30 years G. O. no 2192/XI-451E dated 22nd Dec 1920 No 126/XI-451E of 22-1-1921.				8,43,941	13,13,140	21,57,081	1,44,919	
2nd Loan for the Hydro Electric scheme and Improvement to water supply construction of Rs. 9 lacs 7 per cent p.a. repayable in 30 years House wiring and meter purchase Loan Rs. 70,000 7 per cent repayable in 10 years.	6,55,000	12,97,000	19,52,000					
Carrying out the preliminary proposals for improvements to Malli Tal and Wilsongunj Bazar. G. O. no 1780/ MXI-513E dated 16th September 1921	6,000	Nil	6,000	354	2,957	3,311	2,639	
Government grant in reconouement of what the Board had spent out of their own funds on hillsides safety works G. O. No 48/XI dated 5th January 1923.	...	14,000	14,000	Nil	2,738	2,738	11,262	

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**A brief report on the working of the Naini Tal Water Works
during the year ended 31st March 1923 by the
Superintendent, Water Works, Mr. A. Hodgen.**

I have the honour to report on the working of the Water Works for the year ending March 1923.

The boilers have worked well and are in good order. It was very difficult to get the boilers into a proper clean condition for examination as the time was not sufficient to permit of this between the two visits of the Boiler Inspector. It has now been decided that the boilers will be examined in July when the rains are on. In this way the Boiler Inspector will only need to pay one visit to the works; to carry out the necessary inspection. Three new stop valves have to be fitted to the boilers to meet a Government ruling after the plant has been working for 25 years in quite a satisfactory manner without them.

2. Engines Nos. I, II and III are in fair working order. The new chambers are fitted and are in good order in No. 1 Engine.

The equilibrium valves have been fixed and are working well.

3. The high speed Engine and Chlorine plant are in working order and will be used if necessary.

4. The springs at "Spring Cottage" and "Lake View" have been in use all the year and have saved coal, as it is a gravitation supply.

5. All the collecting reservoirs have been cleaned out periodically and the stand posts on the road as well so as to give a whole some supply of water.

6. The tank for flushing the Malli Tal latrine is in working order

7. The work of the Hydro-electric scheme is nearing completion and once the pumps are working there should be no further complaints the machinery is good and the pumps of ample capacity to meet the needs of the station.

A. HODGEN,
SUPERINTENDENT,
Water Works, Naini Tal.

Sanitary Report of the Municipality of Naini Tal for the year ending 31st March 1923.

One copy to be transmitted direct to the Sanitary Commissioner on or before the 30th April.

Questions.	Answers.
1. State the total annual income, excluding the opening balance, the receipts from conservancy and the expenditure on conservancy during the year.	1. Total annual income excluding opening balance 4,97,921* The opening balance 53,374† The receipts from conservancy 54,827 The expenditure on conservancy (Item 16 of the balance sheet.) 41, 878
2. State briefly the chief sanitary defects, the remedial measures adopted and new projects under contemplation.	2. The unsatisfactory state of disposal of refuse and that of sewerage still exist. Majority of the bazar houses and of Wilsongunj area are in deplorable and insanitary condition, while the out houses of many bungalows and their latrines are in disgraceful state of affairs. The Water supply for flushing purposes is also inadequate. Recommendations for more incinerators and putting the sewerage in efficient state have been made. The necessity of urinals at North and South Mall Roads has been brought to the notice of the authorities concerned. Some Bazaar houses have been improved and the project of Improvement Trust is still under contemplation.
3. State briefly the sanitary works executed or in progress during the year including :—	3. The bathing shed of Malli Tal has been re-constructed on modern line. A pony shed has been erected near the polo ground.
(A) Sewage and drainage : —	(A) Nil
(1) Number of house connections for sullage and sewage.	(1) Nil
(2) Improvements to sewage or drainage.	(2) Nil
(B) Improvements to water supply with the number of new house connections.	(B) 8 water connections were made during the year 1922-23.
(C) Improvements to conservancy namely—Number of public and private water-borne latrines.	(C) Nil
(D) Improvement to site, and	(D) Gardening of the lake fore-shore.
(E) Any other improvements that may have been effected.	(E) A few huts of the Manora Epidemic Hospital are being improved.
4. How the refuse and night-soil are removed and disposed of?	4. Refuse—partly carted away and thrown into the khuds out-side inhabited area but major portion is incinerated. Night-soil—is carried to pail depots in closed buckets and ultimately disposed of at Runsi sewage Farm.
(a) The places appointed under section 273.	(a) There are eight pail depots where night-soil is disposed of and there are nine incinerators of old pattern and eight of new design where rubbish is burnt. Almost all bungalows have dustbins. Shop keepers are ordered to keep refuse tins for the temporary deposit of refuse and these are emptied by municipal sweepers.
(b) The number and pattern of public latrine seats for males and females in working order.	(b) 78 male seats water flushed. 35 „ „ Gumla type. 22 Female seats water flushed. 8 Female seats Gumla type.

*Includes Rs. 16,638 Hydro Electric.

† 1922-23 do unexpended balance, 1921-1922.

Questions.	Answers.
(c) The number and pattern of urinals and dust-bins.	(c) There are eight urinals, seven of them are of no special type while one urinal is water flushed. The dustbins are of open masonry type excepting four which are of new design.
(d) The number and pattern of private latrines in use, and	(d) 820 private latrines are of Kadamecha type. A few are of Hornbury type. There are only four water flushed latrines.
(e) Total number of cesspits, approximate amount of sullage per day and the number of carts used for removal.	(e) Almost every latrine and kitchen of the bungalows has catchpit for its sullage. This pit is emptied by buckets and carried to the pail depots. The amount of sullage is not known.
5. State the number of notices issued under sections 186, 192, 211, 245, 267, 268, 269, 276, 278 and 284 and the number complied with under each section.	5. 40 under section 267.
6. State if byelaws have been made under the following heads of section 298 A, B, C, D, E, (c) F, G, I, & J (a) (b) (d).	6. Nil
7. State the number of cases prosecuted under the Adulteration of Food and Drugs Act and the results.	7. Five cases were prosecuted and fined Rs. 170/ and one case was warned by the Chairman, Municipal Board.
8. Give a brief report on the—	8.
(a) General health of people.	(a) The general health of the people was good. The mortality was 292 as compared to 366 in the previous year.
(b) Particularly of any out-break of epidemic disease during the year, with date of commencement and termination, the methods adopted to control the epidemic, and arrangements for isolation of infectious cases.	(b) Relapsing fever epidemic took place on 9th. October 1922 and terminated on 14th. October 1922. Small-pox epidemic broke out on 15th. October 1922 and was over on 27th. November 1922. Again small pox cases occurred in last week of February 1923. Both the relapsing and small pox cases were isolated in the Manora Hospital and were treated there. The cases of relapsing fever belonged to labour classes and that of small pox came from respectable class.
(c) The number of children born and the number of deaths under one year of age from 1st January to 31st December, and	(c) The number of children born was 348 and the number of deaths under one year of age was 69.
(d) The areas which record the highest death rates.	(d) The two bazaars Talli Tal and Malli Tal record highest death rates.

E. H. H. EDYE I. S. S.
Chairman.

K. L. KAPUR M.B., CH.B., D.P.H.
Medical Officer of Health.

Abstract of the Assembly Rooms Account for the year ending 31st March 1923

Receipts.	Amount	Total	Expenditure.	Amount.	Total
By rent of Central hall and North wing for the second half year 1921-22 & for the year 1922-23	2100	...	Deficit balance 31st March 1922	...	14
By rent of Library for the second half year 1921 and part of the year 1922. ...	700	...	Pay of Establishment.	626	...
By rent from Mr. C. Wyatt Miles. (Palace Cinema) ...	1686	...	Fire Policy	502	..
			Annual repairs.	266	...
			Devidend to debenture holders for the year 1920 and first half year 1921.	3150	...
By rent for the use of go-downs by Mr. C. Wyatt Miles. ...	100	...	Government land revenue for the years 1921-1922 & 1922-23.	2	...
By rent of rooms Ayarpatta wing from R. and K. Railway for the fist half year 1922-1923 ...	200	4786	Miscellaneous	3	4549
			Balance on 31st March 1923	...	223
Total ...	...	4786	Total Rs. ...	...	4786

A. L. SAH

Secretary.

E. H. H. Edye

I. O. S.
Chairman.

Naini Tal Hydro-Electric Annual Report (1922-23.)**Generating Station.**

There is nothing in this connection, the machinery buildings &c. being in good order, with the exception that the Instrument transformers supplied by Messrs Metro Vickers are causing some trouble, this matter is being taken up with the Executive Engineer, II Division, Public Health Department, U. P. There are no spare parts as yet, but the Mechanical Engineer to Government has been asked to take up the matter as per the list agreed upon by him and undersigned on October 1st, 1922. I understand fresh quotations have been asked for, the original prices quoted, (when the plant was ordered) being considered too high.

Pipe Line.

Several lengths of the 10" Cast iron pipes have from time to time given way since the board took over on October 1st, 1922, but the repairs and replacements were expeditiously and satisfactorily carried out without dislocating the supply or inconvenience to the public or motor and other traffic. The pipe lines buttresses, branch pipes, valves &c. are in good order.

Distribution System.

The distribution system has given every satisfaction since the Board took over the Power plant on October 1st 1922, with the exception that at Christmas 1922, we had to shut down for 6 days owing to the exceptional snowfall bringing down practically every telephone and telegraph line in the station, wires of which unfortunately intermingled and wound round ours in every direction. In the worst cases I had slight alterations made in our system which has I think eliminated the chance of further trouble at these places and further I have had the whole system partly sectionalised by means of which schemes should a line come down, that small section is cut out of service the minimum of inconvenience thereby being given to the community as a whole. The only trouble caused, independently to the Distribution system by the snow, was (1) a bracket broke in Malli Tal Bazaar (2) Falling trees brought down the High Tension lines. Repairs were carried out in some 24 hours. Appended is a total list of consumers to March 31st 1923.

Metered system.	.....	165.
Contract	.....	115.
Power	.....	10.

Road Lighting.

We approximately halved on November 16th 1922 for the winter period to conserve the water in the lake and there are at present 481 lamps in use.

Naini Tal Lake.

The question of the level of the lake is causing some anxiety. Two factors in addition to the power house tend to lower the level very rapidly in the dry months; these are seepage and the water taken by Government House Pumping station. It is proposed to build a bund across the Ballia Ravine to conserve the seepage water and instal a pump to discharge this water into the screening chamber at a cost of Rs. 5,500. This is very necessary for next dry weather.

The Public Health Department have recently put forward 2 other proposals, viz, the raising of the lake and the harnessing of the springs at Sepahi Dhara and Cooly Dhara, both of which schemes will eventually have to be entertained, as the demand on the existing plant is growing very rapidly.

The Government gardens pumped up 830,000 gallons in March and approximately 900,000 gallons in April, which seriously depletes the lake.

Pump House.

The mains are being installed by the Public Health Department and are practically completed. The electric pumps are at present being run on trial by Messrs. Mather & Platt and the final completion of the scheme may be expected, I should say, in June.

H. B. CHANTREY, A. M. I. E.
Electrical Engineer,
City Board, Naini Tal

THE
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OF THE
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For the year ending
31st MARCH 1922.

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From

R. H. H. Edey, Esquire, I. C. S.,

Offg. Commissioner,

Kumaon Division, U. P.

To

THE CHAIRMAN,

Municipal Board,

Naini Tal.

Dated 12th July 1922.

SIR,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of the annual administration report for the year 1921-1922 of your Municipality submitted under cover of your letter No. 1194/I-3, dated 31st May 1922.

2. The Board has suffered a serious loss by the departure on leave of its late Chairman Mr. Mumford. Its meetings and those of its sub committees have been regular and well attended; and what is rarer and very much more important have been devoted to the despatch of business.

3. In discussing the financial position of the Board I leave out of consideration the finance of the Hydro-Electric Scheme, to the separation of which from the Board's regular accounts I hope Government will agree.

Excluding Government grants the income of the year was Rs. 2,66,063; Rs. 45,198 more than last year, when it was Rs. 2,20,865. Additional receipts may be classified as under:—

Income.

- (a) A permanent increase of Rs. 14,000 due to enhanced toll rates.
- (b) An increase of Rs. 18,000, to a small extent accidental, but almost certainly permanent, due to enhanced rates of scavenging tax combined with a rise in rents.
- (c) An accidental but probably permanent increase of Rs. 10,000 due to the effect of a general rise in rents on receipts from House Tax and Water Tax.
- (d) An accidental and impermanent increase of Rs. 3,000 due to various causes.

This classification depends on the assumption that the recent rise in rents will be maintained. In my opinion this is a safe assumption.

The Board can therefore rely for future years on an assured income from its own sources of say Rs. 2,60,000. At the same time it cannot look for a further increase on this amount; the incidence of taxation is now Rs. 12-3-5 and I agree with you that the limit of taxation has been reached.

4. Excluding payments against Government grants expenditure has amounted to Rs. 2,64,998. It is barely balanced by income, but in view of what has been said above a permanent equilibrium is by no means attained, moreover this precarious balance has been achieved by a number of measures most of which are retrenchments but not economies; for instance, by holding up repairs to drains and roads and by dispensing with supervision. Such retrenchments as you recognise are administratively unsound and cannot be permanent. At the same time there are certain schemes which in my opinion ought to be taken up and which will be costly. The Hydro-Electric scheme will create annually a naked foreshore round the lake, and this foreshore should by turfing or otherwise be made presentable; its unsightliness ought

Expenditure.

not to be tolerated in the headquarters station of the province. Again to provide for traffic control it is most necessary to reclaim a small portion of the lake at the Talli Tal extremity.

Apart from the liabilities incurred under the Hydro-Electric scheme therefore the financial position of the Board is extremely precarious. This fact is largely due to the high standard of amenities which you very properly consider should be maintained in view of the provincial importance of the station.

The Board has been courageous in imposing taxation, but is of opinion that it cannot fairly impose more. I cannot but feel that in pressing for more sympathetic treatment by Government you will have a good case, and especially in asking Government to reconsider its decision to disclaim in future responsibility for the maintenance of the hillsides.

5. The closing balance is Rs. 53,374. This is more than the prescribed amount, but the excess is due only to the non-arrival within the year of the coal indented for in December last.

6. *Financial position*:—I have dealt with this above. The position is unsound, and present embarrassments are mainly due to the decision of Government not to meet, as it met in the past, the cost of special repairs and protective works necessitated by the monsoons. This decision costs the Board a sum of about Rs. 20,000 a year.

7. *Government grants*:—The following have been received:—

For Hydro-Electric scheme	...	Rs. 40,000
For Town Improvement scheme Survey	...	Rs. 6,000
For improvement of Khurpa Tal water supply	Rs.	2,872
For general sanitary purposes (recurring)	...	Rs. 5,000
Pay of Sanitary Inspectors (recurring)	...	Rs. 1,002

Unless more generous assistance than this is forthcoming it will be necessary to lower the standard of administration.

8. *Original Works*:—Only Rs. 13,591 has been spent under this head. Apart from works to protect the hill-sides (which were formerly paid for by Government) the only important undertaking which is still in hand is the improvement of the water supply of an extra Municipal area from which the settlement obtains its milk—a somewhat cynical but very necessary enterprise.

9. *Water Works*:—This I hope is the last year in which it will be necessary, in order to explain inefficient service, to lay stress on the worn out condition of the machinery. With the introduction of electric power it should be possible in future to maintain a full and regular supply of water.

Difficulties this year have been aggravated by shortage of coal, for which shortage not the Board but the clumsy system of supply worked by the Director of Industries was responsible.

10. *Health and Sanitation*:—The general health has been good, but the infant mortality rate is high, being about 170 per mille.

The system of drainage is as you say unsatisfactory. The discharge of sullage into the public open drains is on the increase and is difficult to check, since further connection with the existing sewers are out of the question and the Board cannot possibly finance an improvement of the sewerage system.

11. *The Hydro-Electric Scheme*:—It is to be hoped that this scheme will be in working order in a few weeks; but in view of the many assurances that have been given in the past by the various experts in charge, and which have always led to disappointment, you are naturally not over sanguine.

As regards the finance of the scheme, you have already addressed Government through me. It is unnecessary to go over the ground again. It is sufficient here to recapitulate the facts ; that the Board having originally contemplated a scheme costing four lacs finds itself committed, through no fault of its own, to a scheme costing twenty lacs ; that having been led to hope that the Scheme would be self supporting in 3 or 4 years it now finds that the scheme is unlikely to be self supporting in less than seven years ; that its annual income is little over 2½ lakhs, an amount insufficient to pay for its ordinary services. It is manifest that if it is required to bear any but a small part of the burden of financing the scheme, the Board is already bankrupt. I am not without hope that Government will admit the cogency of these facts and treat the Board with generosity.

The question of the conservation of the lake water supply is as you say one of vital importance to the Board.

12. Roads have been well maintained, but the holding up of special repairs must react on their future condition. This is a question of finance and has already been commented on.

The Veterinary hospital continues to meet satisfactorily a real need.

Educational work has been cramped by want of funds ; I would impress on the Board that the payment of a living wage to teachers is more important than expansion.

13. *Assembly Rooms.*—Government has now agreed to the leasing of these rooms for a long period to a syndicate, and I hope that this building will shortly cease to be an eyesore and a reproach to the station.

14. *Rules and Bye Laws.*—I am glad to observe that the rules regarding Jhampanies are now being strictly enforced, and I hope they will not be relaxed in future. I would suggest to the Board the advisability of bringing hired ponies under similar control.

15. Audit, accounts, and prosecutions call for no comment. The problem of milk supply is one which calls for and has not yet found a solution.

16. *Collections.*—Arrears, as last year, are large, amounting to over 3 per cent of income ; a dangerously high figure in view of the fluctuating character of the population.

17. *Forests.*—The Board is to be congratulated on having kept the forest fires of last summer from spreading into Municipal limits. It is to be hoped that a committee will be appointed without delay to lay down a policy for the future management of the Municipal Forests.

18. The work of the board has been excellent. The public services of Captain Corbett, Rai Sahib Lala Jai Lal Sah and Mr. Busher will be brought to the notice of Government ; and your acknowledgment of assistance given by Lieut.-Col. W. S. Willmore, I. M. S. Messrs. Hoey and Eastmond will be reported.

Your staff has worked well and the Secretary B. Abinashi Lal has performed his very arduous duties with great success.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

E. H. H. EDYE.

COMMISSIONER.

Memo of the Annual Administration report of the
Naini Tal Municipality for 1921—22.

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FROM

R. W. Bigg-Wither, Esqr., I. C. S.

Deputy Commissioner and Chairman,

MUNICIPAL BOARD,

Naini Tal.

TO

THE COMMISSIONER,

KUMAON DIVISION,

Naini Tal.

Dated Naini Tal, the 31st May, 1922.

SIR,

I have the honour to submit the Annual Administration report of the Naini Tal Municipality for the year ending 31st March, 1922, with appendices passed by Board's special resolution No. 19 dated 29th April 1922.

2. Mr. C. A. Mumford, O. B. E., I. C. S., continued as Chairman until the 21st March 1922 on which date he made over to Mr E. H. H. Edye, M. B. E., I. C. S. I took over from the latter after the close of the year

Constitution.

Capt. J. E. Corbett remained Vice-Chairman throughout the year, having been re-elected with effect from the 29th September 1921. Mr. A. Eastmond, M. C., District Engineer has been a member of the Board and Chairman of the Public Works Committee except for 3½ months during which he was in charge of the Division and was replaced by Mr. Walker.

There was no other change in the personnel of the Board.

3. Elections under the ordinary rules were held in September 1921 but under Government Notification No 2555/XI-669E, dated 28th December 1921, the life of the existing Board was prolonged to 31st October 1922 and the elections were cancelled by notification No. 3199/XXIII-50, dated 31st March, 1922.

Elections.

4. Seventeen meetings of the Board were held, and adjournment was necessary only once. Attendance further improved and was slightly better than last year. Allowing for the usual winter absences of non-officials and officials from the station it is to the credit of members that regularity was maintained and business was not delayed. Those most regular in attendance were :—

Meetings.

Rai Sahib L. Jai Lal Sah	...	(17)
Mr. R. C. Busher	...	(16)
L. Keshi Sah	...	(15)
L. Govin Lal Sah	...	(13)
Sheikh Abdul Qaiyum	...	(12)
Capt. J. E. Corbett	...	(11)
L. Mohan Lal Sah	...	(10)

The bulk of the routine work was disposed of by committees and proposals where necessary were submitted for consideration of the full Board.

Public Works Committee held 12 meetings

Finance " " 10 "

Toll and Taxes	...	10
Public Health	...	2

The Assessment Committee had a laborious task and met several times, and the Market and Educational Committees met as occasion required.

Income.

5. The Board received Rs. 4,35,000 to finance the Hydro-Electric Scheme, out of which Rs. 3,95,000 was advanced as 6 per cent per annum interest bearing loan, and Rs. 40,000 was a grant made by the Local Government. Another special grant received from the Government was Rs. 6,000 for carrying out survey and preliminary proposals of the Town Improvement Scheme. Excluding these items the income of the year amounted to Rs. 2,74,937 compared with Rs. 2,29,486 of the previous year. Excluding further the Government grants for general purposes of Rs. 8,874, the actual revenue was Rs. 2,66,063 as against Rs. 2,20,865 in the previous year—an improvement of Rs. 45,198. Important variations are explained below.

- Item 3. (a) House tax yielded Rs. 5,016 more than in the previous year. This is the result of Assessment Committee's labours and the fact that with the rise in rents the tax proportionately rises.
- Item 6. (b) Tolls rose by Rs. 13,673 due principally to the increased rates coming into force from 1st September 1921.
- Item 7. (c) Water tax yielded Rs. 4,836 more for the same reason as house tax.
- Item 9. (d) Scavenging tax rose by Rs. 18,508 owing to increased rates coming into force from 1st April 1921, and rise in rents of houses.
- Item 16. (e) Rents of lands etc. The increase of Rs. 975 is due to increased rental of pedlars' stalls, cowsheds etc.
- Item 17. (f) Sales dropped by Rs. 499 as in the previous year a large number of trees from the forests were sold to contractors on the Hydro-Electric Scheme for manufacture of lime.
- Item 23 (3). (g) Other items show a fall of Rs. 6,924 the principal reason being that last year's figures included a special item of Rs. 6,500 from sale of a Jewel Filter.
- Item 40. (h) Recoveries were short by Rs. 683 for the reason that less work was done for the public, and that the contractors' securities which used to be credited here have now been credited to head 50 "Deposit".
- (i) Miscellaneous. Other items show a revenue of Rs. 9,501 higher than last year's. Of this Rs. 4,448 was the amount which the Board recovered from the Hydro-Electric for what it had spent out of Municipal Funds proper on Hydro-Electric Account.

Expenditure.

6. The expenditure on the Hydro-Electric scheme was Rs. 4,34,441 compared with Rs. 4,13,948 in the previous year. On Town Improvement survey only Rs. 354 could be expended during the year. Excluding these special items the expenditure of the year amounted to Rs. 2,64,993 compared with Rs. 2,65,099 in the previous year.

Rigid economy and the abandonment of certain works are responsible for what would otherwise have been a higher figure of expenditure for the year.

Chief variations on the expenditure side of the balance sheet are explained below:—

(1) We economised in stationery by ordering less and of inferior quality, but had to pay Rs. 700 as audit fee, an altogether new item.

(4) We could not revise the external boundary as suggested by the Divisional Forest Officer, Naini Tal, and therefore spent nothing of our budget allotment of Rs. 692.

(4a) Town Improvement Survey was started late in the year and the cost has been only Rs. 354.

(9) Higher cost of oil and accessories raised our lighting bill by a little over a thousand rupees.

(12) *Water Supply*:—Increased price of coal landed at water works is mainly responsible for increased expenditure under this head. In the latter half of 1920-21 we were paying Rs. 50-18-0 per ton. In 1921-22 we had to pay at from Rs. 58-4-0 to Rs. 59-8-0 per ton.

(14) Drainage capital outlay—Rs. 600 were paid to the P. W. D. for special repairs to drains on Ayar patta hill.

(15) Drainage repairs. We postponed repairs of the bazaar drains and the District Engineer had to postpone special repairs of certain drains.

(16) Conservancy establishment had to be increased owing to the larger population in the season and the occupation during the winter of the Secretariat Offices by the Eastern Command.

(17) We had to pay a higher monthly rate of contribution towards the maintenance of a Medical officer of Health, the present rate being Rs. 404 as against Rs. 294 previously. We also maintained a second sanitary inspector all through the year, unlike the year previous when we had only one during the winter.

(18) Minor improvements to the Epidemic Hospital at Manora were carried out as suggested by our Medical Officer of Health.

(21) Details of sanitary work are given in from B. Less work was undertaken.

(26) The construction of an operation shed for the Veterinary Dispensary was held over as the area is to be treated under the Town Improvement Scheme.

(28) We had no overseer for about 2½ months at the close of the year and we gave no uniform this year to our Forest staff.

(30) The decreased expenditure of Rs. 7,443 is explained by the fact that important works like special repairs to Cheena and Ayarpatta hill roads had to be held up for want of funds. We no longer receive Government assistance under this head.

(33) We discontinued our annual contribution of Rs. 172 to the District Board as it was found that they assisted no primary schools within the Municipal Area which was the object of the aid.

(41) (i) Rs. 5,372 paid to the District Engineer for improvement of water supply to an extra municipal area (Khurpatal) from which milk is imported accounts for the higher figure. Expenditure from grants and contributions was Rs. 12,228 only and the bulk of the expenditure was from revenue. Expenditure from revenue amounts to practically the same as in the year previous, figures being Rs. 2,33,119 for the year under report as against Rs. 2,52,349 for 1920-21.

Closing Balances.

7. The year opened with a balance of Rs. 37,225 and closed with a balance of Rs. 53,374 of which the details are:—

Unspent balance on Hydro Electric Accounts	...	Rs.	1,059
Unspent balance of Town Improvement Survey grant.	..		5,646
Unspent balance of Capt. Corbett's contribution for Band Stand.	... ..	..	171
Contribution for the year for Pasteur Institute that remained over in error.	... ..	..	100
Allotments for incomplete works.	... ..	..	4,650
Revenue	... ..	..	41,748

Had all the coal indented for in December 1921 for building up stock against the current year arrived within the year of report, we would not have been able to carry forward much more than our fixed balance. The surplus, however, helped us in meeting at the beginning of the current year the irrevocable guarantee from a Calcutta Bank required by the Director of Industries U. P., dealt with in a subsequent para.

Financial Position.

8. The financial position of the Board somewhat improved during the year, thanks to rise in house rents and the overhauling of assessments. House and water taxes each yielded about Rs. 5,000 more than in the previous year. For the same reason, added to the increased rate, and longer periods of occupancy of some houses, the scavenging tax gave us Rs. 18,500 more. This figure can not be considered constant as revenue from this tax fluctuates according to the number of houses occupied and the periods of occupancy in each year. The Toll tax, rates for which were enhanced from 1st September 1921, and which is now recovered also on firewood, yielded Rs. 13,500 more than in the previous year. Revenue from this source too can never be constant—it depends mostly on the number of visitors into the station in each year.

Leaving out of account the Hydro Electric and the Town Improvement Survey schemes, the net income of the year has been Rs. 2,74,937 against an expenditure of Rs. 2,64,993, or a surplus revenue of Rs. 9,944. This surplus helped us somewhat to tide over what would otherwise have been a financial crisis at the beginning of the current year when we were required to deposit an irrevocable Calcutta Bank guarantee to satisfy the Mining Engineer and the Coal Transportation Officer, Calcutta, and to agree to pay for cost and freight in addition, before any coal could be moved for us. In August 1921 the Finance Committee of the Board examined its financial condition and came to the conclusion that present obligations could be met by drawing on our balances, but that further revenue must be raised for next year, and recommended the Board to enhance the House Tax from 9 percent to 10 percent. The Board adopted the recommendation, and sent it up for sanction. The Board under instructions from Government reconsidered the position in February 1922 while framing their Budget for 1922-23 and found that the budget which provided for unavoidable expenditure only could not be balanced without this extra taxation, and that even with the extra revenue expected from this source there was no margin in the budget for any unforeseen expenditure. The Board then emphasised to Government the absolute necessity of imposing this enhanced taxation. The Board, however, asked that the enhanced taxation be imposed as a tentative measure for one year only with effect from 1st April 1922.

The Board has since last year been seriously embarrassed owing to its applications for grants to meet cost of special repairs and protective works necessitated by the monsoons having been refused by Government. Formerly Government met our bills for all work that could be classed as "protection of the hill side" and the municipality contributed annually to the P. W. D. for the upkeep of all public drains and roads, excepting those in the bazaar areas. This contribution to the P. W. D. and the maintenance of the bazaar drains and roads now costs the Board over Rs. 20,000 annually.

The result of Government refusal has been that important works like special repairs to the Cheena and Ayarpatta hill roads had to be postponed.

As far back as 1918 Government had decided to appoint a committee to examine the respective financial responsibilities of the Board and Government in the matter of roads and drains in Naini Tal but subsequently decided that that was unnecessary.

The Board, however, approached Government to reopen the question and decide once for all the relative financial responsibilities of Government and the Municipal Board for the upkeep of roads and drains and the maintenance of the hillsides in Naini Tal. In G. O. No. 338C/153W. 1921 dated 5th September 1921 Government appointed a committee with Mr. R. Burn, C. S. I., I. C. S., as Chairman. This committee met on the 8th October 1921 and their report, it is understood, is before Government for orders. We hope that Government will see their way to help the Board generously in the future as they have done in the past. Without Government assistance it will be almost impossible to maintain both our hillsides and our financial equilibrium. Every new year sees the addition of some recurring expenditure which cannot be avoided. Under Government orders municipalities have now to pay an annual fee for the audit of their accounts. Rs. 700 were paid by us during the year on this account, and the monthly contribution we have now to make towards the maintenance of a Medical Officer of Health has risen from Rs. 294 to Rs. 404. Men on the graded scale of pay have to be given annual increments, and with the rise in prices generally labour rates have increased. Several of the staff complain of inadequate pay, and unless prices fall the Board cannot keep all their staff contented. During the year the water works threatened a strike, and overtime allowance had to be allowed to some while others were given a bonus equivalent to a month's pay. The Board is doing all it can to economise and raise additional income but it is generally felt that the limit of taxation has been reached—the incidence of taxation per head of population is now Rs. 12-3-5 as against Rs. 9-8-1 in 1920-21. The Board has approached Government to be allowed to keep the Hydro-Electric accounts separate from those of the Municipal Fund proper, and the foregoing portion of this paragraph does not take into consideration the situation that has been created by the Hydro-Electric scheme—a scheme which it is felt has landed the Board in bankruptcy and the prospects of reestablishment are gloomy unless Government comes to our assistance.

9. The total grants received from the Local Government amounted to Rs. 54,874 during the year. Of the promised Rs. 3 lacs grant on the first Hydro-Electric scheme estimate Rs. 1½ lacs were received in 1920-21, and Rs. 40,000 during the year. For the town improvement scheme survey Government made a grant of Rs. 6,000. The work is in hand under the supervision of the District Engineer. The Board of Public Health supplemented their previous year's grant of Rs. 3,000 for improvement to Khurpa Tal water supply by Rs. 2,872 during the year. The work is being executed by the P. W. D.

Government Grants.

Recurring grants included Rs. 5,000 for general sanitary purposes and Rs. 1,002 towards the pay of sanitary inspectors. A rough forecast of revenue and expenditure drawn up for a number of years in respect of the working of the Hydro-Electric scheme on completion showed that the Board must face an annual deficit for the next 8 years amounting to Rs. 4½ lacs. The Board has approached Government for a grant of this amount; the first instalment of Rs. 1.20 lacs has been asked for in the current year.

Original works.

10. Excluding the Hydro-Electric scheme the allotment for original works was Rs. 18,195 and the expenditure Rs. 13,591. The programme is shown in from B. The only important work in progress during the year was the survey in connection with the Town Improvement. This work was started late in the year and is being carried out from the Government grant of Rs. 6,000 received for the purpose. The P. W. D. executed the following works which were paid for out of Municipal funds.

1. Special repairs to Ayarpatta drains. ... Rs. 600
2. do. do. Roads ... „ 1,100
3. Protection of slips that occurred in 1920-21
at Rajpur and Kumaun Lodge. ... „ 2,048

Works of this nature were in previous years paid for by the Government. The Board of Public Health grant of Rs. 5,872 for Khurpatal water supply improvement was passed on to the P. W. D. who now have the work in hand. Amongst works carried out by the Board were (1) improvement to the drain along the north wall of the Waverley Quarters, (2) the erection of a new wooden fence for the volunteers tennis courts and (3) the reerection of an incinerator according to modern requirements at Prospect Lodge.

Water Works.

11. As mentioned last year, the water works machinery is old, and the demand for water during the dry months has outgrown the working capacity of the plant. During dry periods the plant has to be worked to its maximum limit, and water has to be rationed.

In the first two months of the year there were frequent complaints of shortage of water from residents on hill tops, and the meter readings showing the consumption were in several cases contested. Towards the end of April and the earlier part of May 1921 water had to be stored in the reservoirs on the hill tops to combat the forest fires. During the rest of the year a regular supply was maintained. The Board has been advised to restrict the giving of any new connections as every new connection will mean extra strain on the already strained plant. Applications for supply connections are now referred to the Public Works Committee of the Board before the Superintendent water works can comply with them. A pumping station under the Hydro Electric scheme has been erected within the water works compound; new mains have been laid, and when water can be electrically driven it is hoped that complaints will cease. It is anticipated that the electric pumping plant may be working before the close of the present season.

Appendix D. shows that the consumption of pumped water decreased from 534 lacs (1920-21) to 410 lacs, the figures for 1919-1920 being 388 lacs. The rainfall of 1921 was slightly less than that of 1920 and the number of wet days was practically the same; the station was crammed with visitors to a greater extent than ever. A lot of water had to be pumped up to Tonnocohy reservoir for combating fires; hence the marked decrease in the registered consumption of water only confirms

the conclusion arrived at last year that these figures which are obtained by mathematical calculation and not by actual measurement are far from being reliable. On the other hand the decreased consumption of coal (822 tons as against 951 tons in the previous year) suggests that less water was pumped during the year, but the Superintendent water works explains this by saying that his engines being in better repair worked better and consumed less coal, and that the period during which pumping continued was shorter than in the previous year. Anyhow, the figures are dubious and no really satisfactory explanation can be given.

The water works have worked at a deficit of Rs. 46,065. Income was Rs. 61,535 and maintenance charges Rs. 84,586. Loan charges amounted to Rs. 23,014.

The year opened with 107 tons of coal in stock. Receipts during the year were 883 tons. Consumption during the year was 822 tons and the year closed with 150 tons in hand. In addition to coal, 7,932 maunds of fuel are reported to have been burnt. Even at -/4/- annas a maund the price of this works out to Rs. 1,983. If this is taken into consideration the deficit on the water works is Rs. 48,048.

To meet the deficit the Board proposed to double the water tax, Government negatived the proposal and asked for differential rates for different areas to be suggested. Cost of pumping to hill tops is comparatively high and these are the places that suffer the most during a spell of drought. Charging them higher than places on a lower level which do not suffer to the same degree during drought would be manifestly unfair. The difficulty of a differential rate was explained, and under Government instructions we had to go up with a proposal to raise the rate of tolls, which was sanctioned with effect from 1st September 1921. Our water works have always been run at a loss and it remains to be seen whether they will be self supporting when run by electricity.

Under the amended water supply rules which were sanctioned by Government recently both bacteriological and chemical analyses of water can now be carried out locally. Major Watson R. A. M. C. performed these analyses and the quality of water throughout the year was good. Cost of the analyses during the year was Rs. 660.

The coal we indented for in December 1921 from the Peninsular Coal Coy. against the coming season did not reach us until May 1922. We had paid advance cost and freight, as usual, but our suppliers informed us that the Railway was unable to move any coal. The position was serious about the middle of April this year and would have been critical but for the timely loan of 6 waggons advanced by the Loco Department of the Oudh and Rohilkhand Railway, which greatly relieved the situation. We moved the Director of Industries U. P. and had to submit to the new system of depositing an irrevocable bank guarantee with a Calcutta bank of an amount equal to the cost and freight of our total coal requirements as worked out on rates fixed by the Coal Mining Engineer, and paying in addition for what was moved for us on presentation of the invoice.

Thanks to our better opening balance we were enabled to place Rs. 10,000 with a Calcutta bank to furnish the required guarantee and have just paid Rs. 4,952 in addition against an invoice presented. The system, it is understood was introduced as the result of Railway strikes and will now, it is hoped, be done away with or at any rate improved upon. The Mining Engineer has supplied us with coal from Messrs. Andrew Yule and Co, and our suppliers, the Peninsular Coal Coy., have also secured waggons for their coal which is now regularly reaching our water works. Coal is now costing us about Rs. 59 a ton as against Rs. 50 in the previous year.

Health and sanitation.

12. The general health was good. A few cases of cholera occurred amongst the labour class early in the season, all of which were probably imported. The patients were isolated in the Infectious Diseases Hospital at Manora and their houses were thoroughly disinfected. Relapsing fever and influenza were less prevalent than in the previous year. Three hundred and thirty four births were registered during the year as against 286 in the previous year. The number of deaths rose from 237 to 366 and include 57 children under one year of age.

The usual yearly contributions were made-Rs. 1,135 to the District Board for hospitals and dispensaries and Rs. 2,000 to the Ramsay Hospital. The maintenance charges of the Infections Hospital at Manora for the year were Rs. 1,966-15-8. The District Board subscribed their quota of one fourth of the total expenditure (Rs. 491-12-0). This isolation hospital serves patients admitted from Municipal limits and from the district. Cases treated by this hospital again numbered 50 as in the previous year. Of this number 22 were cholera, 8 measles, 8 small pox, and the remainder of miscellaneous diseases.

Drains were in bad condition at the beginning of the season, and as reported last year the drainage generally is most unsatisfactory. With the growth of new buildings consequent on the increased influx into the station of summer residents the discharge of sullage and flushing water from bathrooms, kitchens and outhouses steadily increases. This in the case of buildings that have compounds of their own is spilled into the garden or the jungle near by, but in other cases the discharge naturally finds its way into the nearest public drain. On the other hand owing to an organic accretion the lumen of the sewerage pipes has narrowed and their carrying capacity been reduced with the result that new connections to the sewers cannot possibly be allowed. Moreover owing to lack of water until the rains set in drains cannot be properly cleaned and exhale bad odours to the annoyance of everyone. Temporary methods of treating them are not effective enough and the cost involved is disproportionate to the results. The main sewer which passes underneath the whole length of the North Mall and eventually discharges into the Runsi sewerage farm is a source of constant trouble during the summer months, and has to be scraped every winter. The gradient along the Mall is supposed to be insufficient and the diameter of the pipe is inadequate. The Superintending Engineer P. H. D. had it examined by one of his assistants and the whole matter is under consideration of the District Engineer. Our main difficulty is, however, financial, and although we feel that the improvement of the sewerage system is an urgent need, we see no prospect of being able to undertake so costly a project.

Last season serious complaints were received of a pail depot above the Grand Hotel, and we had to close it and the stuff it used to receive has now to be carried to other pail depots. Sullage connections from the Grand Hotel and the Y. M. C. A. to the main sewer have given constant trouble during the summer months and the question of closing these connections is under consideration.

We now have seven incinerators of the new design and they are reported to be working satisfactorily.

The Forest Department have given the area of one acre which was required for the new burning ghat site below the Bhowali road. As soon as the disafforestation is notified and the site is formally handed over it will be brought into use.

During the year 1129 vaccinations were performed of which 49 per cent of secondary and all primary are reported to have been successful. The total cost of vaccination was Rs. 746.

Dr. J. Cornelius was our Medical Officer of Health until the 13th October 1921, when he was suddenly taken away to take up the post of Assistant Professor of Hygiene in King George's Medical College Lucknow. The senior Sanitary Inspector P. Mahima Datt had to be put in charge of the department until we could be given another Medical Officer. On the recommendation of the Director of Public Health ~~Department~~ the Board appointed Capt. Kapur I. M. S., as Medical Officer of Health and he has recently arrived.

To remove the congestion that was rife and the much complained of unhealthy accommodation and exorbitant charges in Indian Hotels the Board have during the year sanctioned the erection of two buildings, at Talli Tal, which are nearing completion and should to some extent relieve the difficulties of Indian visitors.

13. The original estimate which excluded land compensation was sanctioned by Government at Rs 11,39,639. Government promised a grant of three lacs on this estimate, and the Board applied for a loan of Rs. 9,82,000 in 1920-21. Of the grant, Rs. 1½ lacs were received in 1920-21 and Rs. 40,000 in the year of report. Rs 2,60,000 of the loan were received last year and Rs. 3,95,000 have been received during the year under report. The balance due to us on the original estimate and loan application is therefore:

Grant	Rs. 1,10,000
Loan	3,27,000

A revised estimate prepared by the Public Works Department of the Board of Public Health in February 1922 was received and discussed at the Board's meeting of 18th March 1922. This estimate amounts to Rs 20,73,387 and exceeds the original by Rs. 9,33,748. Excess of Rs. 5.94 lacs was explained as due to fall of exchange; excess of Rs. 2.48 lacs in local works as due to rise in rates, modification of design at water pumping station and certain unforeseen items; and Superintending Engineer P. H. D's fees contribute to a further excess of Rs. 1,00,366.

The Board felt that it was useless to comment on or protest against an estimate that had been prepared by Government experts and which was received at a time when work was nearing completion and liabilities had been incurred, and they approved it in the form it was presented. The original estimate gave hopes that in 3 or 4 years after completion the scheme would be a self supporting concern. The revised estimate puts that hope off and shows that the Board must face an annual working deficit for at least seven years. The Board feel they have been forced into an unsound position and that they would have never committed themselves to the scheme had they any idea that the original estimate would practically double itself in less than 2 years. The only option seemed to be to apply for a second loan of Rs 9 lacs to meet the increased cost of the scheme and this was done. We have been informed that this loan will bear interest at 7 % per annum and have accepted the terms. This loan, like the first one, is repayable in 30 years. The Board has approached Government to help them out of their predicament by making a grant of Rs 4.5 lacs of which Rs 1.20 lacs has been asked for in the current year. The Board feel that the present position has been created by no fault of theirs, and look to the generosity of Government to tide them over the deficit years. 596 sq yards of land were acquired for Rs. 1,500 during the year from the Gangipur estate to carry the power pipe line.

Railway strikes delayed the delivery of machinery and plant for some time. The building work is practically complete, machinery and plant are being fitted up at the Generating Station by the firm's Engineer. Two sets are ready, and the delay now is being caused by the non arrival of special armoured cables, which are on rail and have been telegraphed for. The Superintending Engineer informs us that it should be possible to have the street lamps working in about a fortnight after receipt of these cables, and house lighting, if all goes well, about a fortnight later.

Hydro-Electric Scheme.

The Board applied for a license to supply energy in September 1921. The license was sent to the Board for approval and was returned for reconsideration of certain points. The amended draft license has now been received and accepted by the Board.

During the year, the Board on the recommendation of Mr. Bell Electrical Engineer approved Messrs the Metropolitan Vickers Ltd's tender for house wiring. They have a local representative here and have opened a show room. Government buildings excluded so far only 41 applications have been received for house wiring. The Board has applied for a 7 % per annum loan of Rs. 70,000 for house wiring. Of this Rs 20,000 is for purchase of meters, and Rs. 50,000 to assist house owners that cannot pay cash down by offering them an alternative scheme of payment by ten annual instalments. This loan has not yet been sanctioned by Government.

The construction work is under Mr. Tunnicliffe Executive Engineer II Division P. H. D, the local official in charge of the works being B. Lajpat Rai overseer. The distribution and extension lines are under Mr. Bell, Electrical Engineer, Mussoorie, and his linesmen are carrying the distribution aerial lines.

Expenditure during the year has been:—

Rs. 3,95,000	0 0	Paid to Executive Engineer II Division Public Health Department.
37,027	6 4	Interest paid on loan instalments received.
1,500	0 0	Land compensation to L. Bhawani Dass Sah, owner of Gangipur estate.
413	6 2	Miscellaneous charges.
500	0 0	Fee for electric license.

Total 4,34,440 12 6

The Board does not receive any detailed account of expenditure.

The lake was lowered about a foot in November last to facilitate hydro electric operations, and is now at a very low level and is said to be falling at the rate of $\frac{1}{2}$ inch per diem. The sulphur springs at Talli Tal have disappeared. The lowness of the lake level has affected the supply of water not only to Patwa Dangar but also to the Dhobighats, Slaughter house, bathing sheds etc. Action is being taken to alleviate this, and precautionary measures are in hand to prevent a failure of lake water supply to Government House.

It is estimated that about 18 million cubic feet of water will be required to maintain the electric supply, when it is developed, between the 1st October and the 30th June following. In the event of no rainfall between these dates (an unprecedented occurrence) less than four feet depth in the lake surface will be required for storage for this quantity of water.

Besides the fall due to this supply there will take place a further fall due to leakage, evaporation and the supplies drawn off at Talli Tal. The maximum fall in a year of exceptional drought is calculated not to exceed 7.15 ft. The question of conserving the lake supply is therefore one of vital importance to the Board.

The date when further capital will be required to raise the lake level by means of a new weir will be postponed proportionately to the care exercised in conserving the water impounded in the lake.

The appointment of an Electrical Engineer to take charge of the hydro electric scheme including water supply is now engaging the Board's attention.

Rs. 4,448 expenditure incurred out of Municipal Funds on Hydro Electric account was adjusted during the year.

14. The Hospital which is a seasonal one opened on 7th April 1921 and closed on 15th October. After this date there is practically no work and unless circumstances alter this should be the date for closing in future. 66 indoor and 308 outpatients were treated. The income was Rs. 951 compared to Rs. 905 in the previous year. The expenditure was Rs. 1,196 compared to Rs. 1,303 in the previous year. Notwithstanding the fact that there were 2 veterinary surgeons in the station for some time during the season, the dispensary seems to have fared well, and P. Pate Ram Kala who was again in charge did commendable work. He has since been promoted to a Veterinary Inspectorship.

Veterinary Hospital.

15. The rainfall of 1921 was again above normal and measured 110" as against 121" in the year 1920. The heaviest fall was 8'30" on June 24.

Roads.

The storm water drains worked well both on Sherka Danda and on Ayarpatta hills except one drain (No 48) on the latter which starts from the Wellesley Girls School of which the sides were washed away. Debris and big boulders continually came down the Cheena hill between the 23rd June and 16th July greatly damaging the beds and sides and filling the cushions and catchpits of the drains below. Two land slips occurred—one above Kumaun Lodge and the other above Bank House. The surface of the roads was maintained in good order. The District Engineer had to hold over his estimate of Rs. 4,288 for special repairs necessitated by monsoon damages to roads and drains on Cheena and Ayarpatta as we had no funds to guarantee the cost.

16. The Boys' Primary School maintained by the Board at Malli Tal, and which charges no fees, cost the Board Rs. 2,240 during the year. The school building is inadequate and additional rooms were rented again in the Malli Tal bazar. The private school in Talli Tal was given the usual annual grant of Rs. 300. This school is charging a higher rate of fee than is permissible, and even then cannot make both ends meet. Some of the teachers are not receiving a living wage. The management has applied to the Board to take it under direct control or give an increased grant. We have approached Government for an initial building grant to enable us to take the school over, promising to meet the recurring maintenance charges ourselves, and await the result of our application. In the meantime by way of temporary relief the Board have given an additional grant of Rs. 100 during the current year. Proposals were submitted to Government in August 1921 for the progressive expansion of primary education during the next 5 years with a view to the introduction of compulsory education at the end of that period.

Education.

The three Girls' schools were given their usual annual grants aggregating Rs. 500. One of these, the Arya Girls' school, will not need an aid in the future as a local gentleman, L. Kishan Das Sah Kunaiyan, has undertaken to maintain it and has in fact gifted a house of his, the rent derived from which is to be applied towards meeting the annual recurring charges of the school. Owing to the peculiar conditions in Naini Tal summer attendance in schools is much higher than that during winter months, and enrolment varies from year to year. In the year of report the enrolment on 31st March was lower than on the same date of the year previous, figures being:—

	1921	1922
Municipal Boys School	150	117
Private Boys School	81	68
The three Girls' Schools	170	134

Our difficulty in regard to schools has been both want of available sites to build on, and lack of funds.

Government has under a recent G. O. continued to us the exemption granted in 1907 from the operation of the rule which requires that 5 per cent of the normal income should be spent on education.

Trained teachers were not available for the pay we offered. We have raised the pay of our tuitional staff, and have asked the Deputy Inspector of Schools to provide berths in the Bhim Tal training school for two of our untrained teachers who have consented to be trained in the current year.

Assembly Rooms.

17. Appended to this report is a statement of account for the year ending 31st March 1922. The income of the year was Rs. 4,136 compared with 3,703 in the previous year. The expenditure was Rs. 4,148 compared with Rs. 3,007 in the previous year. There was a small deficit balance. We were able to pay the dividend on debentures for the year 1919 Rs. 2,100 and also Rs. 927 for special repairs. At the end of the year unpaid arrears amounted to Rs. 1,000 on account of rent due by the late John Young's estate (Rs. 700) and the Station Library (Rs. 300). The latter amount has since been recovered and the former awaits receipt of letters of administration by Mrs. Young the successor to the estate. On the other hand debenture charges for 1920 and 1921 (Rs. 4,200) are now overdue. About the middle of last season a proposal was made to the Board by a body under the name of "Bellamy Syndicate" to take over the management of the Assembly Rooms for a number of years, pay up liabilities, remodel the building to modern requirements, and at the expiry of the period to restore the building to the Municipal Board. The matter was discussed at several meetings of the Board—two other applicants appearing on the scene—and it was finally settled that subject to Government sanction the syndicate—which by this time preferred to call itself "the Assembly Rooms Syndicate"—be given a 35 years' lease of the building on payment of Rs. 35,000 down and an annual ground rent of Rs. 10 provided that the Station Library is suitably accommodated, the municipal meetings allowed to be held in the building as at present, and the existing leases respected. Of the present leases, those of the R. and K. Railway and the Young Estate will expire this year, and that of Mr. C. Wyatt Miles-the Palace Cinema proprietor-at the end of the season 1924. The papers are before Government for orders.

The Assembly Rooms have never been a success and have been unable to pay the interest of debentures on due dates, much less redeem them. The only satisfactory solution the Board could think of was to lease out the building as above, pay off all liabilities and redeem the debentures.

Rules and byelaws.

18. The water rules amended in the previous year have been confirmed by Government.

The schedule of slaughter fees in the slaughter byelaws was revised so as to reduce the fees by two annas per head of bovine cattle slaughtered. The butchers continually complained that prices of cattle had risen and the Board felt that it should forego a little revenue if that would keep the price of meat down. The revised rate came into force from 1st April 1922.

Rates of hire of jhampanies have been raised and the revised rates are now in force. These byelaws were not rigidly enforced last season when for the whole year only 416 Jhampanies were licensed, but from the beginning of the current year special efforts have been made and the number of licensed jhampanies is now about 600.

During the year the toll compounding fee had to be revised to be in keeping with the increased toll rates, and our toll exemption schedule was slightly modified and is now more explicit.

19 The accounts for the year 1920-21 were audited from 1st April 1921 to 3rd May 1921, and when audit was completed only 7 items remained unsettled.

Audit and accounts.

The auditors found all the accounts satisfactory except those of the water works. The Board have requested Government for permission to keep the Hydro-electric accounts and budget separate from the accounts and budget of the Municipal Fund proper, and orders are awaited.

20. During the year the police instituted only 6 prosecutions of which one was withdrawn and 4 were successful. The total number of all cases convicted for which fines were credited to Municipal funds was 63, of which 22 were for adulteration of milk.

Prosecutions.

31 breaches of Forest Law, 5 breaches of licenses, 1 breach of slaughter byelaws, 3 of building byelaws, 2 of public convenience byelaws, 2 for non-registration of births and one for evasion of tolls were compounded during the year. The milk problem has found no solution though prosecutions were three times more numerous than in the previous year, and fines inflicted on conviction were heavy. The quality of milk has not improved though the price has risen to 3-3½ seers the rupee.

21. Arrears for the year carried forward on 1st April 1922 amounted to Rs. 8,390 under the following heads.

Collection.

	Rs
(1) House Tax	... 1,148
(2) Water Tax	... 958
(3) Scavenging Tax	... 3,244
(4) Rents	... 192
(5) Markets	... Nil
(6) Sale of water	... 2,503
(7) Rent of meters	... 350

Owing to revised assessments, demands under the first three heads were higher than in previous years and in many cases bills were contested before recovery could be effected. Action is being taken and some collections have been made since the close of the year. Bills on account of scavenging tax on out-houses occupied by others than the 2 privileged caretakers issued about the close of the year have in many instances been disputed and are not included in the above.

The bills under sale of water include demands based on meter readings for February and March, which were not received in time for issue of bills before the year closed. The figures therefore are not as bad as they appear.

The revenue of the year was Rs. 1,467 compared with Rs. 1,966 in the year previous when a larger number of trees were sold to Hydro-Electric contractors for manufacture of lime. 118 trees were sold to the public, 158 trees were cut and delivered to the Water Works for fuel, 56 were used for the Manora Hospital and other municipal works and 12 trees were supplied to the P. W. D. for construction of barriers and other purposes. The value of these three items is not included in the revenue. Including the above, over

Forests.

1,500 trees were felled in private compounds and on municipal lands on applications or under orders, or under the Hydro Electric scheme. The Board has asked for the appointment of a committee to lay down a future policy in regard to these forests and to tree felling in the station. 364 cattle were impounded during the year and 31 breaches of Forest law were convicted or compounded. Rs. 77/8 were received on this account.

From the 27th April 1921 to 23rd May 1921 was a most anxious time for the settlement. The forests all round were on fire and at more points than one the fire nearly invaded the lake basin, and it was only by the unremitting labours of all concerned that a disaster was averted.

Work of the Board.

Business on the whole was promptly despatched and harmony and good feeling continued as before. The Board moved a special resolution on the departure of Mr. C. A. Mumford their late Chairman. It was carried unanimously and is reproduced below:—

"Special meeting of the Board held at 5 p. m. on Saturday the 18th March 1922.

"Present.—

"Capt. J. Corbett I. A. R. O. Vice Chairman.

"Rai Sahib L. Jai Lal Sah Vakil.

"Sh. Abdul Qaiyum Sahib.

"R. C. Busher Esqr. M. A.

"L. Mohan Lal Sah B. A.

"L. Keshi Sah Bazar Chaudhri.

"L. Govin Lal Sah.

"B. Abinashi Lal Secretary Municipal Board.

"Proposed by Rai Sahib Lala Jai Lal Sah Vakil and seconded by Sh. Abdul Qaiyum and carried unanimously.

Resolved unanimously that the Board place on record their "sense of deep gratefulness to Mr. C. A. Mumford, O. B. E., I. C. S., "for his able guidance and for giving the Board the benefit of his ripe "experience and for his courtesy and ever-ready help to the members "during his tenure of office as Chairman. The Board wish him health "and happiness during his absence from India.

"J. E. CORBETT,

"CAPTAIN,

"Vice Chairman,

"Municipal Board,

"Naini Tal."

Capt. J. E. Corbett continued to do very good work as Vice Chairman, and settled some difficult cases.

Rai Sahib L. Jai Lal Sah and Mr. Busher also did conspicuously good work.

B. Abinashi Lal, Secretary, had a very heavy year and worked very hard and well throughout. Hydro Electric work added to his labours considerably.

L. Keshi Sah, L. Govin Lal Sah and Sh. Abdul Qaiyum were regular in attendance

The accounts branch has been dislocated since December last when the accountant proceeded on a year's leave. P. Jagan Nath, cashier, a valued employee died in the same month, and the assistant accountant was away on 2 months' leave. The head clerk B. Harprasad had in addition to his own work to help in the accounts branch and worked very hard and well. Staff.

The rest of the staff have all worked well, notably B. Prem Lal, Toll Supervisor.

B. Bachaspati, Assistant Accountant.

B. Bishamber Dayal, Overseer (who resigned in January last.)

P. Ganga Ram, Ranger.

P. Chandra Ballabh and

P. Durga Datt, Tax Collectors, and

P. Mahima Datt, Senior Sanitary Inspector.

Lt. Col. W. S. Willmore, I.M.S. late Civil Surgeon, Mr. G. McHoey, Superintending Engineer Public Health Department and Mr. A. Eastmond District Engineer have been always ready to assist the Board with expert advice and deserve the thanks of the Board.

Acknowledgment.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

R. W. BIGG WITHER, I. C. S.,

Chairman, Municipal Board,

Naini Tal.

ENCLOSURES

1. Copy of special Resolutions Nos. 19 and 20 of a meeting of the Municipal Board of Naini Tal held on the 29th April 1922.
2. Statement in form A.
3. " " B.
4. Appendix A.
5. Appendix B.
6. Appendix C.
7. Appendix D.
8. Appendix E.
9. A brief report on the working of the Naini Tal Water Works.
10. Sanitary Report.
11. Abstract of the Assembly Rooms Account.

A. L. SAH,
SECRETARY.

R. W. BIGG WITHER, I.C.S.

CHAIRMAN.

**Copy of special resolution No. 19 of a meeting of the Municipal
Board of Naini Tal, held on the 29th April 1922.**

The statements and appendices for the Annual Administration report for the year ended 31st March 1922: to be considered and passed.

Considered and passed.

**Copy of special resolution No. 20 of a meeting of the Municipal
Board of Naini Tal, held on 29th April 1922.**

Sanitary report for the year ended 31st March 1922: to be considered and passed.

Considered and passed.

A. L. SAH,
Secretary.

B. W. BIGG WITHER, I.C.S.,
Chairman.

Form A.

Annual Statement Income and Expenditure

For the year 1921-22 Population { 16,517 Summer.
10,392 Winter.

Number of item.	Heads of Income.	Actuals of past year 1920—21	Budget Estimate of current year. 1921—22	Actuals for the current year. 1921—22
1	2	3	4	5
		Rs a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
1	BY BALANCE IN HAND AT CLOSE OF LAST YEAR	76,786	37,225	37,225
	Municipal Rates and Taxes—			
3	Tax on the annual value of buildings and lands ...	45,304	52,000	50,920
4	Tax on animals and vehicles—			
	(a) tax on boats ...	226	218	218
	(c) tax on animals used for riding, driving etc. ...	1,658	1,800	1,962
6	Tolls (on roads and ferries) ...	46,220	54,200	59,893
7	Water tax ...	33,784	38,500	38,620
9	Conservancy (including scavenging and latrine) taxes ...	30,922	46,000	49,430
10 (a)	Lake frontage tax ...	900	900	991
11	Total rates and taxes ...	1,59,614	1,93,618	2,01,764
	REALIZATIONS UNDER SPECIAL ACTS—			
12	From pounds ...	133	130	200
14	From licenses for the sale of spirits and drugs ...	181	100	107
14 (a)	From other sources Grass * ...	102	145	137
15	Total ...	416	375	444
	REVENUE DERIVED FROM MUNICIPAL PROPERTY AND POWERS APART FROM TAXATION—			
16	Rents of lands, houses, sarais (rest houses), dak bungalows, etc. ...	8,311	8,800	9,286
17	Sale proceeds of lands and produce of lands, etc. ...	1,966	700	1,467
18	Conservancy receipts (other than taxes and rates) ...	84	180	230
19	Fees and revenue from educational institutions ...	6	5	6
20	Fees and revenue from medical institutions ...	905	974	951
21	Fees and revenue from markets & slaughter houses:—			
21 (a)	Markets ...	6,029	6,800	6,312
21 (b)	Slaughter-houses ...	4,871	5,500	5,213
	Carried over 16 to 21 (b) ...	22,172	22,959	23,465
	Carried over 1 to 15 ...	1,60,030	1,93,993	2,02,208

* Judicial fines under special Acts should be credited under "Fines" (column 24.)

Number of item.	Heads of income.	Actuals of past year. 1920—21	Budget Estimate of current year. 1921—22	Actuals for the current year. 1921—22
1	2	3	4	5
		Rs a. p.	Rs. a. p	Rs. a. p.
	Brought forward 1 to 15	1,60,030	1,93,993	2,02,208
	" " 16 to 21 (b)	22,172	22,959	23,465
23	Sale of water—			
	(1) Sale proceeds of water	19,458	18,800	19,045
	(2) Rent of meters	2,072	1,400	1,791
	(3) Other items	9,003	2,000	2,079
23 (a)	Copying fees	37	50	82
23 (c)	Registration fees for Jhampanies	208	210	209
23 (d)	License fees on Pandies etc.	489	600	585
23 (e)	Registration fee for dogs	1,364	1,400	1,247
24	Fines under Municipal and other Acts	975	1,000	1,193
29	Total	55,778	48,419	49,695
	GRANTS AND CONTRIBUTIONS (FOR GENERAL AND SPECIAL PURPOSES)— From Government.			
30	For general purposes	† 8,621	6,004	8,874
31	For educational purposes	...	...	...
32	For Town improvement	...	6,000	6,000
32 (a)	For Hydro Electric Supply	† 1,50,000	40,000	40,000
39	Total	1,58,621	52,004	54,874
	MISCELLANEOUS—			
40	Recoveries on account of services rendered to private individuals.	803	100	120
41	Other items	4,231	12,466	13,782
41 (a)	Projection fees	23	...	..
42	Total	5,057	12,566	13,852
43	TOTAL INCOME OF YEAR EXCLUDING OPENING BALANCE	3,79,486	3,06,982	3,20,629
	EXTRAORDINARY AND DEBT—			
45	Ad- vances. } From Government for Hydro Electric Supply Construction	2,60,000	3,95,000	3,95,000
48	Loans. } Permanent	1,000	1,000	...
50	Deposits	...	400	308
51	Total	2,61,000	3,96,400	3,95,308
52	TOTAL RECEIPTS EXCLUDING OPENING BALANCE.	4,60,486	7,03,382	7,15,937
53	TOTAL RECEIPTS INCLUDING OPENING BALANCE.	7,17,272	7,40,607	7,53,162
54	Incidence of taxation (column 11) per head of population	9—8—1	18—1—0	12—3—5
55	Incidence of income (column 43) per head of population	22—9—8	28—9—8	19—6—7

* Should show the totals of columns 43 and 51.
1 and 52.

† Rs. 8,621 included in one and the same head viz 30 which
Rs. 1,50,000 showed 1,58,621 in 1920-21 balance sheet.

Number of item.	Heads of expenditure.	Actuals of past year. 1920-21	Budget Estimate of current year. 1921-22	Actuals for the current year. 1921-22
1	2	3	4	5
		Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
	GENERAL ADMINISTRATION AND COLLECTION CHARGES—			
1	General administration (office establishment, inspection, honorary magistrate's establishment, etc.) ..	14,277	13,200	13,181
2	Collection of taxes including bonded ware-houses (establishment, purchase of account books and paper, money boxes, repairs to outpost, etc.) ..	1,515	1,636	1,634
3	Collection of tolls on roads and ferries ..	8,475	7,835	7,834
4	Survey of land ..	...	692	...
4 (a)	Survey of Town improvement ..	23	6,000	354
5	Refunds (other than octroi) ..	98	500	497
	Total ..	24,388	29,863	23,500
	PUBLIC SAFETY—			
9	Lighting (establishment, purchase of lamps, oil, repairs, etc.) ..	9,154	10,210	10,209
	Total ..	9,154	10,210	10,209
	PUBLIC HEALTH AND CONVENIENCE—			
12	Water supply { Capital outlay ..	613	370	369
13	Water supply { Establishment, repairs, etc. ..	80,219	86,800	81,586
14	Drainage { Capital outlay ..	219	600	600
15	Drainage { Establishment, repairs, etc. ..	9,737	9,200	8,520
16	Conservancy (including road cleaning and watering and latrines) ..	...	...	...
	(a) Subordinate establishment ..	37,206	38,815	38,815
	(b) Cost and feed of livestock ..	789	850	849
	(c) Plant and contingencies ..	3,009	3,320	3,250
17	Charges on account of health officers and sanitary inspectors ..	4,023	3,210	5,206
18	Hospitals and dispensaries ..	5,040	5,262	5,262
20	Vaccination ..	672	748	746
21	Other sanitary requirements ..	5,917	3,870	2,508
22	Markets and slaughter-houses ..	1,333	1,095	1,095
23	Pounds ..	87	62	36
24	Dak bungalows and sarais ..	2	100	85
25	Arboriculture, public gardens and experimental cultivation ..	481	500	498
26	Veterinary charges ..	1,303	1,200	1,196
28	Public works { Establishment ..	6,931	6,600	6,523
29	Public works { Buildings ..	1,127	1,700	1,302
30	Public works { Roads ..	24,502	17,163	17,059
31	Public works { Stores ..	413	200	69
31 (a)	Hydro Electric Supply ..	4,13,948	4,35,000	4,34,441
	Total ..	5,97,521	6,18,665	6,13,015
	Carried over ..	6,31,063	6,58,738	6,46,724

* Contributions should be classified according to the object for which they are made, e.g. for schools under public instruction, etc. Contributions not made for any particular purpose or for a purpose for which no separate head is provided should be charged under this head.

Number of item.	Heads of expenditure	Actuals of past year. 1920-21	Budget Estimate of current year. 1921-22	Actuals for the current year 1921-22
1	2	3	4	5
		Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
	Brought forward	6,31,063	6,58,738	6,46,724
	PUBLIC INSTRUCTION—			
32	Schools and Colleges	2,991	2,965	2,890
32 (a)	Construction and repair of school buildings	31	100	91
34	Libraries, museums menageries, etc.	172	...	...
35	Total	3,194	30,65	2,981
	CONTRIBUTIONS*—			
36	For general purposes	2,117	2,117	2,017
	MISCELLANEOUS—			
37	Interest due on account of previous year	8,041	7,540	7,268
38	Interest on loans			
40	Actual cost of work done for private individuals	584	100	69
41	(Printing charges	2,650	3,000	2,974
41 (a)	Law charges	...	100	93
41 (b)	Provident fund	1,054	2,687	1,065
41 (c)	Government share of nazul proceeds	240	259	259
41 (d)	Rents	2,890	2,990	2,988
41 (f)	Other items { Miscellaneous	9,945	14,370	14,368
42	Total	25,354	31,046	29,084
43	TOTAL EXPENDITURE	6,61,728	6,94,966	6,80,806
	EXTRAORDINARY AND DEBT—			
47	Re-payment of loans	17,319	17,820	18,092
48	Advances—Permanent	1,000	1,000	10
50	Deposits	...	900	880
51	Total	18,319	19,720	18,982
*52	TOTAL DISBURSMENTS	6,80,047	7,14,686	6,99,788
	BALANCE—			
54	Actual balances	37,225	25,921	53,374
55	Total	37,225	25,921	53,374
†56	GRAND TOTAL	7,12,272	7,40,607	7,53,162
58	Permanent advance	1,000	1,000	1,000

*Should show the total of items 43 and 51.

† " " " " " 52 and 55.

Dated the 29th April 1922.

A. L. SAH,

Secretary.

R. W. BIGG WITHER, I.C.S.,

Chairman.

Certified that the closing balance of Naini Tal Municipal Board at the Sadar Treasury at the end of March 1922 was Rs. 65997-3-3 sixty five thousand three hundred ninety seven 3/8.

J. P. NICHOLSON,
Treasury Officer,
Naini Tal.

NOTE.—Outstanding on uncashed cheques at the close of the year was Rs. 13,457-9-10. Receipts for 31st March 1922 credited (vide G. O. No. 1825/XI-10H dated 1st November 1919) on 1st April 1922 was Rs. 2,700/9/4. Difference of Rs. 1,265/15-10 due to amounts erroneously credited to Municipal funds by the Treasury.

Form B.

Municipality of Naini Tal.

STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURE ON ORIGINAL WORK DURING THE YEAR 1921-22.

Number	Nature of works.	Total estimated cost.	Amount expended in previous year.	Amount allotted in the year of report.	Amount expended during the year of report.	Remarks.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	<i>General administration and collection charges.</i>					
	<i>Survey of land.</i>					
1	(1) Revised municipal boundary pillars ...	642	...	642	Nil.	
2	(2) Town Improvement Survey ...	6,000	...	6,000	354	In Progress.
	<i>Public health and conveniences.</i>					
	<i>Water Supply Capital outlay.</i>					
3	Removal of Endcliffe reservoir to Malli Tal Pail Depot latrine ...	1,018	613	405	369	Completed and paid for.
	<i>Drainage capital outlay.</i>					
4	Special repairs to drains on Ayarpatta Hill ...	600	...	600	600	Completed-Paid to P. W. D.
	<i>Other Sanitary requirements.</i>					
5	Lake weeding ...	500	121	500	265	In progress.
6	Laying 6" half round glazed earthenware pipes in the drain along the North wall of Waverly Quarters ...	226	...	226	226	Completed and paid for.
7	Cleaning of the lake in front of the temple ..	250	...	250	87	In progress.
8	Urgent Sanitary Works:—					
	(a) Road retaining wall to Dhobighat.					
	(b) Special repairs to Incinerators and Chimneys.					
	(c) Special repairs to male and female bathing sheds, Talli Tal.					
	(d) Improvement to catchpit of Water Flushed latrine at the Poplars					
	(e) Improvement to the cattle trough, Talli Tal.					
	(f) Drain cleaning rods					
9	Special repairs to rubbish carts	250	...	250	...	
10	Incinerators and Dustbins	16,225	12,860	1,665	1,662	Incinerator near Prospect Lodge Dustbins near Fairlight Glen and behind the Poplars.
	<i>P. W. Buildings.</i>					
11	Special repairs to cooly shed at Brewery ...	500	...	500	367	Completed and paid for.
	<i>P. W. Roads.</i>					
12	Volunteer Tennis Court Fencing ...	383	...	378	378	Completed and paid for.
13	Special repairs to roads on Ayarpatta Hill 1920 Monsoon ...	1,100	...	1,100	1,100	Completed-Paid to P. W. D.
14	Protection of slips at Rajpur and Kumaon Lodge Compounds in Naini Tal 1920-21...	1,700	...	1,700	2,043	The budgetted figure was for special repairs to roads on Sherkadanda Hill. Latter District Engineer advised taking up work shown in col. 2 as more important and asked another Rs. 843/- which was also paid.
15	Hydro Electric Scheme ...	12,82,000	4,13,948	4,35,000	4,34,441	In Progress through Deptt. of Public Health.
	<i>Miscellaneous.</i>					
	<i>Other Items Miscellaneous</i>					
16	Khurpa Tal water supply improvement ...	5,872	...	3,000	5,872	Paid to P. W. D. who have the work in hands.

A. L. SAH,
Secretary.

R. W. BIGG WITHER, I.C.S.,

Chairman.

*Statement showing the constitution of the Board for the Municipality of
Naini Tal during the year ending 31st March 1922.*

A. L. SAH,

Secretary.

R. W. BIGG WITHER I.C.S.,

Chairman,

NOTE.—In the case of vernacular middle classes boys who have appeared in the Vernacular Final Examination should be shown.

R. W. BIGG WITHER, L.O.B.,
Chairman.

APPENDIX C.

Showing expenditure on water works and sewerage and drainage works in the
Naini Tal Municipality during the year 1921-22

Water Works.				Sewerage and drainage works.			
Nature of charges	Budget allotment	Amount of expenditure	Total	Nature of charges.	Budget allotment.	Amount of expenditure.	Total.
1.—Establishment—				1.—Establishment—			
(a) Permanent Establishment		15,120		(a) Permanent ...			
(b) Office contingencies ...		510	15,630	(b) Temporary ..			
(c) Rent ...				(c) Office contingencies ...			
2.—Pumping—				(d) Rent ...			
(a) Coal ...		57,872		2.—Construction—			
(b) Oil and waste ..		1,798		(a) Sewers ...			
(c) Other stores ...		679	60,349	(b) Surface drains ...	600	600	600
3.—Intake—				(c) Latrines ...			
(a) Training river ...				(d) Pail depots ...			
(b) Clearing channels and wells.				3.—Repairs—			
4.—Settling tanks and filters—				(a) Sewers ...			
(a) Clearing settling tank				(b) Surface drains ...	9,200	8,520	8,520
(b) Clearing and renewing filter beds.				(c) Latrines ...			
(c) Purchase of sand ...	86,800			(d) Pail depots ...			
5.—Distribution—				4.—Machinery—			
(a) Pipes and fittings ...		3,330		(a) Purchase of new machinery			
(b) Meters ...		375	4,205	(b) Repairs to old machinery.			
6.—Repairs—				5.—Other charges—			
(a) To Tanks ...		359		(a) Compensation for land taken up.			
(b) To buildings and grounds.		265					
(c) To machinery ...		2,722					
(d) To Tools and Plant ..		396	3,742				
7.—Water analysis—		660	660				
Total ...	86,800	84,586	84,586	Total ..	9,800	9,120	9,120

A. L. SAH,

Secretary

R. W. BIGG WITHER, I.C.

Chairman

APPENDIX D.

WATER WORKS.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS DURING THE YEAR 1921-22.

Population.							
By census of 1921 in municipality	...	...	...	..	...	16,517
Ditto cantonment	...	..	...	...	...	802
Total						17,319	
Cost of works.							
Initial capital cost	...	...	...	...	Rs.	2,47,000
Cost of extensions and improvements to end of previous year	...	...	...	..	...	4,22,439
Ditt	Ditto	during the year	...	...	..	369
Total cost of works						6,69,808	
Consumption of filtered water.							
During year including cantonment	...	...	...	Gallons	...	41,011 603
Daily average ditto	...	...	...	..	...	1,12,360
Maximum daily average in any one month	...	...	...	..	...	2,87,930
Daily average for cantonment alone	...	...	...	..	...	5,035
Average number of hours filtered water pumped daily	...	...	...	..	...	13.56
Annual charges and receipts.							
Maintenance charges	...	...	...	...	Rs.	84,586
Total charges with interest and payment of loan	Maintenance charges				84,586	} 1,07,600	
	Interest and repayment				23,014		
Income from water works.							
Water-rate recovered during year	...	...	...	Rs.	...	38,620
Sale of water and other receipts	...	...	...	..	...	22,915
Total income						61,535	
Number of house connection at end of year.							
For purely domestic purposes	...	...	...	...	...	247
For other purposes	...	...	...	...	...	25
Total						272	
Number of connections with meters	...	...	...	...	...	267

NOTE. - The water was not applied for and hence the Meters were not fixed back at 22 metered connections there being 5 house connections without meters.

A. HODGEN,
SUPERINTENDENT,

R. W. BIGG WILKINSON, I.C.S.,

APPENDIX E

Statement of expenditure from non-recurring grants and loans for the year ending 31st March 1922

Particulars of loan or grant (authority, purpose and amount).	Amount taken up to the end of last year.	Amount received during the year under report.	Total.	Expenditure up to the end of last year	Expenditure in the year under report.	Total.	Balance of amount taken up to date left unexpended.	Remarks
Government grant for Hydro-Electric Scheme and improvement to water supply G. O. No 1031/XI 451E dated 9th July 1920 and Board of Public Health's No 1297/B.P.H. 29 dated 9th November 1921 ...	1,50,000	40,000	1,90,000					
Loan for the Hydro-Electric Scheme and improvement to water supply G. O. No. 2192/XI-451E dated 22nd December 1920 and No. 126/XI-451 E dated 22nd January 1921.	2,60,000	3,95,000	6,55,000	4,13,948	4,34,441 Rs. 4,448 received from Executive Engineer II Division D. P. H. on account of amount paid out of Municipal Funds in 1920-21 and 1921-22 — 4,29,993	8,43,941	1,059	
Improving the water supply of Khurpatal, Board of Public Health's No. 628/B. P. H. 113 dated 11th June 1920 and No. 347/B. P. H. 95 dated 24th March 1922 ...	3,000	2,872	5,872	...	5,872	5,872	Nil	
<i>Town Improvement Scheme.</i>								
Carrying out the preliminary proposals for improvements etc to Malli Tal & Wilsongunj Bazaars G. O. No 1780 M/XI-573 E dated 16th September 1921 ...	...	6,000	6,000	...	354	354	5,646	

A. L. SAH,
Secretary.

R. W. BIGG WITHER, I.C.S.,
Chairman

A brief report on the working of the Naini Tal Water Works during the year ended March 31st 1922 by the Superintendent, Water Works, Mr. A. Hodgen.

I have the honour to submit my report on the working of the Water Works for the year ending March 1922.

1. The boilers have worked well and are in good order, No. 592 and 593 have been passed, but 604 has not been passed as I could not get it cleaned in time for the Inspection for want of labour. The Boiler Inspector was asked to postpone his visit until I could get it ready for him. It will be passed shortly; it has no defects and is in as good condition as 592 and 593.

The economiser has worked well and given no trouble after the alteration last year.

2. Engines Nos. I, II and III are in fair working order. No. I Engine is still working with the cracked chambers which have been efficiently repaired. I could not change them, as the chambers ordered were front chambers and not rear chambers; the mistake was mine, as I did not mention which I wanted. I have ordered two rear chambers and kept the front ones as spares. The equilibrium valves have not been used, on the alteration being effected that has been recommended, I will bring them into use again.

3. The High speed engine and chlorine plant are in working order and will be used if necessary.

4. The springs at "Spring Cottage" and "Lake View" have been in use all the year and have saved coal, as it is a gravitation supply.

5. All the collecting reservoirs have been cleaned out periodically, and the stand posts on the road as well so as to give a wholesome supply of water.

6. The tank for flushing the Malli Tal latrine is in working order.

7. The work of the Hydro Electrical Scheme is going on well, and it is impossible to keep the grounds presentable. The pumping machinery is about to be erected, and need for the larger pumps to be fixed is felt; as the needs of the station have increased considerably since the present pumps were installed. I think we should have the use of the pumps by the end of this season. The inadequate supply from the existing pumps need the pumps to be worked a greater number of hours which means overtime work, for which the men should be recompensed by being paid overtime or get a bonus at the end of the season. Overtime has to be worked in the months of April, May and June.

8. The Lake Engine plant is in a dismantled condition. One Boiler and one pump was lent to the Engineer-in-charge of the Hydro-Electric Scheme, for some pumping work near the lake side, near the Channel that was being dug there with a promise that it would be restored to its former place, but so far no steps have been taken to complete the work.

9. The question of a dumping ground for the ashes need not be gone into again, as on the introduction of the electrical plant there will be no more ashes to be dumped.

10. As regards the overtime worked by the men, I consider it fair that a bonus of a month's pay be sanctioned for the men who are engaged in doing the overtime for the three months of April, May and June.

A. HODGEN,
SUPERINTENDENT,
Water Works,
Naini Tal.

SANITARY REPORT OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF NAINI TAL
FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st MARCH, 1922

One copy to be transmitted direct to the Director of public health on or before the 30th April.

	ANSWERS.
1. State the total annual income, excluding the opening balance, the opening balance, the receipts from conservancy and the expenditure on conservancy during the year	1. Total annual income excluding opening balance Rs. 3,20,629 The Opening balance " 37,225 The receipts from conservancy " 49,642 The expenditure on conservancy Item 16 of the balance sheet " 42,983
2. State briefly the chief sanitary defects, the remedial measures adopted and new projects under contemplation	2. Disposal of refuse is still unsatisfactory. Majority of the houses in the bazars are in a deplorable condition and insanitary. A survey is being made in connection with the Improvement Trust Scheme.
3. State briefly the sanitary works executed or in progress during the year including :—	3. One incinerator of the latest design was constructed. There are now altogether seven incinerators of this design. Two roofed dustbins of improved type behind the Poplars and near Fairlight Glen were erected.
(A) Sewage and drainage—	(A) Nil.
(1) Number of house connections for sullage and sewage.	(1) Nil.
(2) Improvements to sewage or drainage	(2) The road-side public drain past the north wall of Waverly Quarters was laid with 6" half round glazed earthenware pipes.
(B) Improvements to water supply with the number of new house connections.	(B) 18 new water connections were made.
(C) Improvements to conservancy, namely—Number of public and private water-borne latrines.	(C) Nil.
(D) Improvements to site, and	(D) Nil.
(E) Any other improvements that may have been effected.	(E) One water reservoir was removed from Endcliffe to Malli Tal to flush the mail depot and water flush latrine in Malli Tal. Slight improvements to male and female bathing sheds and a cattle trough at Talli Tal were carried out. The catch pit to water flush latrine at Poplars was improved and 30 drain cleaning rods were obtained from Messrs. Ince and Silk.
4. How the refuse and night-soil are removed and disposed of ?	4. The refuse is partly carted away and is thrown into khuds outside inhabited area and partly incinerated. Night-soil is carried to pail depots in closed buckets and ultimately disposed of at Runai sewage farm.
(a) The places appointed under section 273.	(a) There are eight pail depots where night soil is brought for disposal and sixteen incinerators where refuse is burnt.
(b) The number and pattern of public latrine seats for males and females in working order.	(b) 78 male seats water flushed. 35 " " Gumla type 22 Female seats water flushed. 8 " " Gumla type.
(c) The number and pattern of urinals and dust bins.	(c) The urinals are of no special type, there is only one flushed urinal. The dustbins are of open masonry type and four of them are roofed dustbins of new design.

ANSWERS.

- (d) The number and pattern of private latrines in use, and
- (e) Total number of cesspits, approximate amount of sullage per day and the number of carts used for removal.
5. State the number of notices issued under sections 186, 192, 211, 245, 267, 268, 269, 276, 278 and 284 and the number complied with under each section.
6. State if byelaws have been made under the following heads of section 298, A, B, C, D, E (c), F, G, I and J, (a), (b), (d).
7. State the number of cases prosecuted under the Adulteration of Food and Drugs Acts and the results
8. Give a brief report on the—
- (a) General health of people,
- (b) particularly of any outbreak of epidemic disease during the year, with date of commencement and termination, the methods adopted to control the epidemic, and arrangements for isolation of infectious cases,
- (c) the number of children born and the number of deaths under one year of age from 1st January to 31st December, and
- (d) the areas which record the highest death rates.
- (d) 800 private latrines are of the Kadamcha pattern. A few are of Hornbury type.
- (e) Almost every latrine and kitchen of the bungalows has a catchpit for its sullage. This pit is emptied by buckets and carried to the pail depots. The amount of sullage per day cannot possibly be estimated.
5. One under section 186 which was not complied with and the unauthorised structure was removed by Municipal agency. 200 under section 267, compliances not yet received as the notices were issued about the close of the year.
6. Under section 298 F. (d) and J. (d). Byelaw No. 9 regulating slaughter house amended Under section 298 F. (d) Byelaws framed for regulation of Bachi Gaurh Dharamshala await confirmation.
7. 44 samples of milk were sent for analysis to the Public Analysis Lucknow, during 1921. 20 cases were prosecuted and fined Rs. 770.
- 8.
- (a) The general health of the people was good. A few cases of Cholera, Influenza and Relapsing fever occurred during the year. The persons suffering from the diseases were mostly of labour classes. The mortality was 366 as compared to 237 in the year previous.
- (b) On 9th of April 1921 the first report of cholera was received. Cases occurred as follows, 6 in April, three in May, and five in August 1921. These were all believed to be imported. The infected patients with other inmates of the house were isolated to Epidemic Hospital Manora and the infected places latrines and clothes were thoroughly disinfected. The import of milk etc. from the infected area outside Municipality was prohibited. A few cases of Influenza occurred in April and May 1921. Medicines were distributed free of charge. A very few cases of Relapsing fever occurred in June, July, September and October 1921. Infected places were disinfected.
- (c) 834 births were registered, the number of deaths registered under one year of age was 57 (a mortality of 170 per thousand births.)
- (d) The two bazaars Malli Tal and Talli Tal recorded the highest death rates.

M. D. MAITHANI,

Acting Medical Officer Health.

R. W. BIGG WITHER, I.C.S.,

Chairman.

Abstract of the Assembly Rooms Account for the year ending 31st March 1922.

Receipts.	Amount.	Total	Expenditure.	Amount.	Total.
By rent from Raja Munshi Madho Lal for the 2nd half year 1920-21 (North Wing) ...	200		Balance on 31st March 1921 (deficit) ...	..	2
By rent of central hall and North Wing for the 1st half year 1921-22 ...	700		Pay of establishment.	529	
By rent of Library for the year 1920 and 1st half year 1921 ...	900		Fire Policy ...	377	
By rent from Mr. C. Wyatt Miles (Palace cinema) ..	1,786		Annual repairs ...	149	
By rent of rooms Avarpatta wing from R. & K. Ry. ...	400		Special repairs to back verandah ground floor and 1st floor ...	927	
By rent of a room from Mr. Tek Chand ...	50		Dividend to debenture holders for the year 1919 -	2,100	
By sale price of glasses etc ...	70		Miscellaneous ..	66	
Arrears rent recovered for a room occupied by the "A. D. C." articles ...	30	4,136			
Balance on 31st March 1922 (deficit)	14			4,148
Total Rs. ...		4,150	Total Rs. ...		4,150

A. L. SAH,
Secretary.

R. W. BIGG WITHER, I.C.S.,
Chairman.

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OF THE

NAINITAL MUNICIPALITY

For the year ending

31st March

1921.

**Memo of dates of Annual Administration report of the
NAINI TAL Municipality for 1920-21.**

Particulars.	Date.	Remarks.
Date of first order for printing ...	25th June 1921	
The date on which proofs were received from the press ...	7th July "	
The date on which the proofs corrected were returned to the press ...	8th " "	
The date of issue of printed report from the press ...	12th " "	

Certified that the figures have been checked and necessary corrections were made.

C A MUMFORD,
O. B. E., I. S. C.
Chairman.

No. 7442/XXIII-76.

FROM,

P. Wyndham, Esqr, C.B.E., C.I.E., I.C.S.

Commissioner, Kumaun Division Naini Tal.

TO,

THE CHAIRMAN,

MUNICIPAL BOARD,

NAINI TAL.

Dated, Naini Tal, the 2nd September 1921.

SIR,

(1) I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your No. 1875/I-5 of 23rd June 1921 being the administration report of the Naini Tal Municipality for the year ending 31st March 1921.

(2) There has been no change in the constitution of the Board. Meetings have been full and regular and a great deal of business is transacted in sub-committees which have sat 38 times.

(3) *Income*.—Loans and contributions and grants and sale of stock (jewel filter) excluded, the income for the year has been Rs. 2,14,365/- as compared with Rs. 2,05,902/- in 1919-20 an increase of Rs. 8,463. There has been a general rise in rents—this means a general rise in assessment and in water demands.

(4) *Expenditure*.—Again excluding money paid for loan works and against grants the expenditure was Rs. 52,349/- an increase of Rs. 53,658/- on the figure of last year.

The main items are increase in pay of staff and cost of water works. The former is a constant charge—the latter may be reduced in future if the railways in the plains can cope with the coal traffic and cheaper transport facilities are obtained to Naini Tal.

(5) The closing balance was sufficient (Rs. 37,225/-) to carry on services and debts uncollected and bills unpaid approximately balance-arrear Rs. 8,373/- were high.

(6) The above briefly shows that the condition of the Board is precarious—the normal income is about 2 lacs and expenditure 2½. The Board can only meet it by increased taxation and this they are now considering. Water is the most expensive item—a proposal to make income and expenditure under this head balance has been negatived. It will be difficult for the Board to meet it from tolls but they will attempt to do so—the scavenging tax has been raised by Rs. 12,000.

(7) *Government grants*.—Naini Tal has been treated liberally in the past. At the suggestion of Government the electric lighting of the town has been taken up and out of Rs. 3 lacs promised contribution Rs. 1,50,000/- has been received for this purpose. In former years the burden of propping up the hill sides has been undertaken by the Local Government and numerous special repair grants have been forthcoming to meet slips and unforeseen damage done by excessive rain—unless the Municipality can depend on assistance to meet the unforeseen in future, communications will be seriously interrupted and dangerous situations will arise. I can only suggest to Government that the maintenance and protection of the hill side in this city be made a Provincial charge.

(8) *Original works.*—The Hydro-electric scheme overshadows all other works. It will be dealt with below. Only two works call for remark—the Band Stand which Captain Corbett has so generously provided for the Municipality and a special monsoon repair charge of Rs. 8,169/- quite unforeseen—which the Municipality had to carry out, as Government refused support.

(9) *Water Works.*—These have been carried on with difficulty. The machinery is old but will be relieved of most of its load when the Hydro-electric scheme matures—until then the Municipality must struggle on. Coal difficulties and a failure of rains have sent charges up to double the normal of past years—these services were worked at a deficit of rupees 38,916. The water so provided, if not sufficient, is at any rate pure.

(10) *Health and Sanitation.*—Health was fair—with the exception of influenza no serious epidemic occurred. The city is well supplied with hospital accommodation but the Crosthwaite Hospital could do with more money.

The bazars Malli and Talli Tal of this city are insanitary and overcrowded in summer and congestion has to go unchecked. A scheme for the improvement of both these bazaars will be drawn out by the Improvement Committee—if funds are available—the question is before Government.

The Sewerage scheme for the city is under examination by Sanitary experts but it seems impossible for the Board in its present financial position to be able to spend much on such improvements.

(11) *Hydro Electric Scheme.*—The estimated cost at present is Rs. 12,82,000 but I understand the Sanitary Engineer will owing to fall of exchange send in an estimate for Rs. 19,00,000/- odd. The work is well in hand—most of the masonry constructions are built and machinery is in transit. The Department of Public Works have apparently committed the Board to a scheme they would hardly have undertaken had they been aware of the bill. The Board first started with a modest 4 lac scheme and will probably end with one of 19 or 20 lacs. The matter has been represented to Government and the only way out of it seems to be a loan.

(12) *Roads* have been maintained in good order. The Veterinary Hospital does good work. Education for settlement residents is not afforded by the Board—the Board maintains schools in each bazar and three schools for girls are obtaining grants-in-aid.

(13) *Assembly Rooms.*—These have long been an unsatisfactory feature on the flats. They take up a lot of valuable room and cannot pay interest on their debentures. I understand a syndicate is being formed to take a lease for some 30 years, pay down enough nazarana to wipe off debentures and interest, and rebuild the place and fit it up with modern entertainment rooms. It deserves every encouragement.

(14) *Byelaws.*—This city is well equipped with byelaws and further activity is no longer necessary. The accounts except in the water works department were in good order. The inconvenience to administration of auditing accounts at the height of the season is one which I trust will be taken notice of. The obvious time is the slack season between November and March. It is no doubt somewhat unpleasant for the local audit staff but the time should obviously be chosen to suit not their convenience but that of the Municipality.

(15) *Prosecution for breaches of Forest Laws and Byelaws* have been few and call for no comment. The census was taken in September 1920 and showed no

increase. The population fluctuates between 10,393 in March and 16,517 in the season. The low figure for September is unaccountable.

(16) Collection of taxes has been satisfactory but with a fluctuating population endeavours should be made to get in certain items in advance.

(17) Forests have been efficiently worked and the Board are indebted to the Forest Department for advice and assistance.

(18) The work of the Board has been satisfactorily carried out under your careful supervision and direction. The public have been well served and Government instructions have been attended to. The death of Mr. Muirhead was a great loss to the Board. He was a very familiar figure in Naini Tal and spent his whole time in ungrudging service to settlement. Captain Corbett has been good enough to join the Board and will be an efficient successor. The public services displayed by Captain Corbett, Rai Sahib Lala Jai Lal Sah and Sheikh Abdul Qaiyum will be brought to the notice of Government and your acknowledgment of assistance given by Lieut. Col. W. S. Willmore, Mr. Hoey and Messrs. Amore and Eastmond will be reported. Your staff has worked well and the Secretary has well justified his selection by the good services he has rendered.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

P. WYNDHAM,

COMMISSIONER

Kumaon Division.

From

No. $\frac{1875}{10}$

E. A. Munford, Esqr,

O. B. E., I. O. S.,

Deputy Commissioner and
Chairman, Municipal Board.

NAINI TAL.

To

THE COMMISSIONER,

KUMAON DIVISION,

NAINI TAL

Dated Naini Tal, the 21st June 1921.

SIR,

I have the honour to submit the annual report of the Naini Tal Municipality for the year ending 31st March 1921, with appendices passed by Board's special resolution No. 2, dated 13th May, 1921. The preparation of this report has been delayed because the office was preoccupied with audit in April and several clerks suffered from influenza.

2 There has been no change in the constitution of the Board. I have been Chairman throughout the year. Mr. J. R. Muirhead was re-elected Vice Chairman, but died on 12th September 1920. Capt. J. E. Corbett was elected in his stead. L. Durga Sah was elected unopposed to represent proprietors in place of Mr. Muirhead, but died on 13th March 1921, and his son L. Mohan Lal Sah has been elected in his place. Mr. Fusher was away on leave for six months, but the Board decided not to fill the temporary vacancy. Mr. Eastmond M. C. District Engineer, has been a member of the Board and Chairman Public Works Committee except for two months during which he was in charge of the Division and was replaced by Mr. Paddison.

Constitution.

3. Twelve meetings of the Board were held during the year and no adjournment was necessary. Attendance has been somewhat better than last year and business has never been delayed by the absence of members. During the winter officials are often at a great distance from Naini Tal and members leave the station. The regularity of members is all the more commendable.

Meetings.

Rai Sahib L. Jai Lal Sah	...	...	(12)
Capt. Corbett	...	...	(11)
L. Keshi Sah	...	...	(10)
Sheikh Abdul Qaiyum	...	...	(9)
L. Govin Lal Sah	...	...	(9)
The late Mr. Muirhead	...	...	(5)
The late L. Durga Sah	...	...	(4)

were most regular in attendance. Committees dispose of the bulk of the routine work and submit proposals for consideration of the full Board.

Public Works Committee held 12 meetings

Finance	30	...
Toll and Taxes	10	...
Public Health	6	...

In addition market and educational committees met occasionally, and there were special committees for assessment of taxes.

come.

4. The Board received Rs. 410,000 to finance the Hydro Electric Scheme, out of which Rs. 2,60,000 was advanced on loan and Rs. 150,000 was a grant made by the local Government. Excluding these items the income of the year amounted to Rs. 2,29,486 compared with Rs. 2,57,552 in the previous year. Excluding Government grants of Rs. 8,621 the actual revenue of the year was Rs. 220,865 compared with 205,902 in the previous year, an improvement of Rs. 14,963.

I explain below the important variations.—

- (3) House tax yielded Rs. 3,837 more than in the previous year. Assessments; are rising with the general rise in rents and collections were better.
- (4) Taxes on horses dropped by Rs. 342 because fewer horses were brought into the station.
- (7) Water tax rose by Rs. 2,896 for the same reason that House Tax has risen; the basis of assessment being the same in both cases.
- (16) *Rent of lands etc.* The actual decrease under this head is Rs. 1,011. I explained in para 7 of last report that in the previous year bungalows which had been engaged at a rent of Rs. 2,400 for the Band were sublet.
- (17) Sales yielded Rs. 1,373 more than the previous year, because a larger number of trees was sold from Municipal forests.
- (20) *Medical fees.* The attendance at our veterinary dispensary improved and yielded a better income in fees.
- (21) ~~(19)~~ The drop of Rs. 887 in the income of *slaughter houses* is explained by the smaller number of cattle imported for slaughter.
- (23) (1) Sale of water produced Rs. 4,144 more than in the previous year, because a larger quantity of water was used by meter connections and the recovery of arrears was larger.
- (23) (2) *Meter rent.* The rise of Rs. 685 is due almost entirely to the recovery of arrears.
- (23) (3) A Jewel filter which was not used at our Water Works was sold to Haldwani Notified Area for Rs. 6,500.
- (23) (c) *Registration fees.* The number of jhampanies registered during the year rose from 216 in 1919-20 to 417 in the year under report. This is the result of the amendment of the rules.
- (40) *Recoveries.*—The drop of Rs. 1,011 means that the Board did less work for the public than in the previous year.
- (41) *Other items.* The figures of the previous year included an item of Rs. 4,912 received from the P. W. D. and refunded to Government.
- (41) (a) *Projection fees.* The Board examined the practical effect of

the projection bye-laws and found that many projections had been made at official suggestion to carry flower boxes and other projections had been in existence for many years. It was decided, therefore, that the rules caused considerable hardship and the Board decided that the byelaws should not have retrospective effect and should only be levied on projections erected or re-erected after 30th March 1917, when the byelaws were published. The Board has lost Rs. 972 in the current year by this decision but has removed a serious grievance.

Expenditure.

5. The expenditure on the Hydro-Electric scheme was Rs. 413,948 during the year. Excluding this special expenditure the expenditure of the year amounted to Rs. 2,65,099 compared with Rs. 278,746 in the previous year. Expenditure debited against grants and contributions was only Rs. 12,750 and the bulk of the expenditure was from revenue. Leaving out of consideration expenditure against loans and special grants our normal expenditure amounted to Rs. 2,52,349 compared with Rs. 1,98,591 in the year 1919-20. This increase of Rs. 53,658 is due, firstly, to general revision of salaries and secondly to the higher cost of water works.

Expenditure.

Variations on the expenditure side of the balance sheet are explained below.

(1) The increased cost of general administration is due entirely to revision of salaries.

(2) & (3) The higher cost of collection is likewise due to increase of salaries.

(12) *Water supply.* The cost of maintaining our water supply has risen from Rs. 49,765 to Rs. 80,219, of which Rs. 3,449 represent increase of pay to the staff. In 1919-20 we landed coal at the Water Works at Rs. 37 a ton. In the year under report coal cost Rs. 47/13/- a ton for the first six months of the year and from October 1920 we were paying Rs. 50/13/- a ton landed at the Water Works. In addition, our stock of coal was practically exhausted on 1st April 1920, and we had to order 15 months supply during the year. Our coal bill, therefore, practically accounts for the enormous increase under this head.

(14) *Drainage.* Certain bazar drains were repaired during the year but no works of any magnitude were undertaken.

(16) (a) *Conservancy.* The wages of the subordinate establishment were raised by Rs. 6,438.

(17) We had no Health Officer after 24th October 1920 and dispensed with our second Sanitary Inspector during the winter months and thereby saved Rs. 1,753.

(18) *Hospitals.* In the previous year Rs. 1,650 was spent on laying a pipeline to Manora Hospital, and a midwife was employed for the season. In the current year no capital expenditure was incurred and we were unable to obtain a satisfactory Midwife.

(21) Details of sanitary works are given in Form B. Less work was undertaken.

(22) *Markets.* In the previous year both markets and bakeries had been thoroughly repaired and no particular work was undertaken this year.

(26) *Veterinary charges.* Improvements had been effected in the previous year and no special expenditure was incurred in the current year.

(28) *P. W. Establishment.* The salary bill has risen by Rs. 2359

(30) *Roads.* There is a drop of Rs 38,912 under this head. In the year 1919-20 Government paid bills amounting to Rs. 33,486 for protection of the hill sides. In the year under report the Local Government refused our application for assistance and bills amounting to Rs 3,225 remained unpaid at the end of the year.

(32) *Schools.* The increase of Rs. 895 represents better salaries.

(41) (b) The revision of salaries has also increased our contribution to the Provident Fund.

(41) (c) The Government share of Nazul income for the year 1920-21 was Rs. 247/5/- of which Rs. 239 were credited before the accounts were closed and Rs. 8 after the year had closed. A mistake was made in the last report in stating that Rs. 288 represents the Government share for the year under report. As a matter of fact, this amount included Rs. 49 on account of arrears of previous years. The register has been carefully scrutinised by the Secretary and it is believed that Government share has now been paid in full.

(41) (f) Payment of Rs. 3,519 on account of the Band Stand is included in this head. This payment was made from a contribution of Rs. 7,800 made by Capt. Corbett.

Closing Balance.

6. The year opened with a balance of Rs. 76,786 and closed with a balance of Rs. 37,225 of which the details are:—

The Board of Public Health grant for Khurpa Tal	
Water Supply	Rs. 3,000
Unspent balance of Capt. Corbett's contribution for	
Band Stand	Rs. 171
Alotments for incomplete works	Rs. 4,170
Revenue	Rs. 29,884

When the Board revised their budget it was estimated that the closing balance would be Rs. 3,844. Thanks to better revenue and certain economies the year closed with a balance sufficient to meet the pay of establishment for the first two months of the year. Arrears of taxes amounting to Rs. 8,373 are an asset in our favour; on the other hand our liabilities include coal bills amounting to Rs. 7,701 and bills for protective works executed by the District Engineer amounting to Rs. 3,225.

Financial Position.

7. The financial position of the Board is precarious. Our normal income is about two lacs and with prices rising our expenditure can hardly be kept below 2½ lacs. We have raised our scavenging tax to yield a further sum of Rs. 12,000 and proposed to double our water rate and thereby raise a further sum of Rs. 38,000. This proposal has been negatived by the Local Government under whose instructions we have since submitted proposals to raise the rate of tolls. The assessment committee of the Board has scrutinized the valuation of all property with a view to obtain a full assessment for house tax and water rate and it is anticipated that some further revenue will be obtained from these sources. Salaries of our staff have been raised all round and we consider that they are now receiving a fair market wage, for their services. The cost of our water works is uncertain and any further rise in the cost of coal and freight may add a considerable item to our expenditure under this head. The season is so short that we cannot now impose fresh taxation during the year

1921-22, but if we have to meet no unforeseen expenditure and our revenue continues to improve as it has been in past years we may be able to carry on to the end of the year without a deficit.

8. The total grants received from the Local Government amounted to Rs. 158,621 during the year. Rs. 300,000 has been promised towards the cost of the Hydro Electric Scheme of which Rs. 1½ lacs was paid during the year. In addition, the Board of Public Health made a grant of Rs. 3,000 to provide a supply of pipe water to Khurpa Tal. Recurring grants included Rs. 5,000 for general sanitary purposes and Rs. 621 towards the pay of Sanitary Inspectors. The Local Government has always treated the Board with great generosity and we take this opportunity to record our thanks for the handsome grant of three lacs. Last year Government made grants amounting to Rs. 33,486 to pay the bills for damage done by the monsoon. This year we applied for grants amounting to Rs. 21,562 to cover the cost of repairs and protective works necessitated by the monsoon. Our application was refused. The Board paid Rs. 8,169 from Municipal funds met Rs. 4,269 by reappropriation, postponed works estimated to cost Rs. 9,677 and has a bill of Rs. 3,225 still to be paid. This refusal has caused us serious embarrassment. In recent years as soon as a slip occurred or a road was washed away the District Engineer commenced repairs and submitted his estimate in due course. This estimate was passed by the Board and forwarded to the Local Government who have hitherto met the bill. Government has never given any definite undertaking to meet these bills but their generosity in the past had emboldened us to believe that they would pay such bills in the future. On our present basis of taxation we have no margin to meet such indefinite expenses and we appeal to the Local Government to realise our difficulties and to assist us in repairing the damage caused by the action of successive monsoons.

Government Grants.

9. The programme of original works is shown in Form B. Leaving out of account the Hydro-Electric scheme the allotment was Rs. 26,167 and the expenditure Rs. 20,204. A toll chauki has been built at Tonnocchys. A water reservoir has been removed from Endcliffe to improve the flushing arrangements of a large latrine at Malli Tal. Two conservancy carts have been purchased and six incinerators have been remodelled on an improved design. One of these incinerators (near Prospect Lodge) was damaged by a slip and has to be rebuilt. Two incinerators of an old design have been repaired. The Band Stand was built at the expense of Capt. Corbett. The only other item is Rs. 8,169 which was paid for special monsoon repairs and for which our application to Government was refused.

Original Works.

10. The Water Works machinery has served its purpose and is now hardly capable of maintaining a full supply during dry periods. The public suffered great inconvenience at the beginning of last season. The causes were two fold. The Superintendent submitted inaccurate returns of consumption and stock of coal with the result that it was not discovered till too late that our stock of coal was dangerously low. When we tried to import coal at short notice shortage of railway waggons delayed delivery. When the coal reached Kathgodam owing to the break down of the motor service and heavy impressment of transport by the Military authorities we had great difficulty in transporting our coal from Kathgodam to the Water Works. The result was that for the first three months of the year we used our coal as fast as it reached the Water Works and our pumping had to be regulated by the amount of coal in stock. In addition the demand for water during dry periods exceeded the capacity of our engines with the result that residents living on the top of hills and at

Water Works.

the end of the mains were frequently short of water. For the rest of the year a regular supply was maintained. There has been some difficulty in obtaining spare parts, but the plant on the whole is in fair order and with luck will serve its time. Appendix D shows that the consumption of filtered water increased from 326 lacs (1918-19) and 383 lacs (1919-20) to 534 in the past year. These figures are obtained by mathematical calculation and not by actual measurement. The rainfall of 1920 was practically the same as that of 1919, and, though the number of wet days was probably less, I know of no circumstance to account for this enormous increase in the consumption of water. It is true that water flushed closets have been installed in the waverley quarters and the Y. M. C. A. hostel but the population of the station remains constant, because for the last three seasons Naini Tal has been crammed to overflowing and the only conclusion is that these figures are not trustworthy and that the engines no longer perform the duty for which they were designed.

The water works have worked at a deficit of Rs. 38,916 in the year under report. The income was Rs. 64,317 and maintenance charges Rs. 80,219. Loan charges amounted to Rs. 23,014. The year commenced with 24 tons of coal in stock and closed with a balance of 107 tons representing about one month's supply.

1034 tons of coal was imported during the year compared with 682 tons in the previous year and the actual consumption during the year was 951 tons. I have already explained in para 5 that coal is costing Rs. 50 a ton. In addition to this coal we burnt 12,418 maunds of wood obtained from Municipal forests of which the value may be taken at Rs. 1,620. If the value of this wood is taken into consideration the deficit on the water works amounts to nearly Rs. 40,000.

As explained in para 7 we proposed to meet this deficit by doubling the water tax.

The quality of water was good throughout the year. Major Hayes and Major Watson have made bacteriological analysis, and Chemical analysis was made at Agra. The cost of this analysis amounted to Rs. 916.

Health and Sanitation.

11. The station has escaped any serious epidemic but cases of relapsing fever, and small pox have occurred and influenza has been prevalent with two intervals throughout the year. During the winter months the "sequelae" of influenza caused a good deal of mortality. Medicine was distributed free but there was no occasion to form influenza committees. Two hundred and eighty six births were registered during the year compared with 291 in the previous year. The number of deaths fell from 268 to 237 which include 66 children under one year of age.

The District Board maintains male and female dispensaries under the name of the Crosthwaite Hospital to which the Municipal Board makes an annual contribution of Rs. 1,135. The Board also contributes Rs. 2,000 per annum to the Ramsay Hospital. In addition, an Infectious Hospital is maintained at Manora with a Sub Assistant Surgeon in charge. This hospital is managed by the Health Officer under the guidance of the Civil Surgeon. The Board pays three quarters of the expenses and the District Board one quarter. This proportion is based on the number of persons admitted from Municipal limits and from the district. Fifty cases were treated by this hospital during the year of which 37 were relapsing fever, 5 were small pox and two were cholera.

The Sanitary Commissioner made no regular inspection of the

municipality during the year. There is no doubt that the Sanitary arrangements of this town are antiquated and that a large majority of the population live in unhealthy conditions. The station was crowded to its full extent last season and both Indian officials and visitors experienced great difficulty in obtaining healthy accommodation. Indian visitors to Naini Tal complain bitterly of the unhealthy accommodation to be had in Indian hotels and the exorbitant charges made during the season. Gentlemen tell me that they have to pay Rs. 8 a day for a small uncomfortable room. This charge does not include meals, attendance or the use of public rooms which do not exist in many hotels. Though rules have been framed for the regulation of lodging houses and licenses are issued, the congestion is so serious that the Board are unable to enforce these rules with any strictness. A comfortable Indian hotel with well ventilated rooms is one of the most urgent needs of the place.

The Sanitary Engineer is examining our system of sewers. The drainage generally is most unsatisfactory and in dry weather the sewers are apt to get blocked and for lack of water the drains cause a nuisance by the odours which they exhale.

Five incinerators have been remodelled and are working satisfactorily.

A site for a burning ghat below the Bhowali road has been selected and steps will soon be taken to bring it into use.

During the year 935 vaccinations were performed of which 62 per cent of secondary and all primary vaccinations are reported to have been successful. The total cost of vaccination was Rs. 672.

The Board were unable to recommend the confirmation of Dr. Photographer as Health Officer and he resigned his post on 23rd October 1920.

No Health Officer was appointed during the winter. The second sanitary inspector was not satisfactory and the Board dispensed with his services at the end of the season.

12. The present estimated cost of this project is Rs 12,82,000 it is not improbable that this figure may be exceeded. The Local Government has promised a grant of three lacs of which Rs. 1½ lacs was paid during the year. The Board has applied for a loan of Rs. 9,82,000 of which Rs 2,60,000 has been taken during the year. Rs. 3948 have been expended from the Municipal Fund and will be adjusted against the loan account. The Sanitary Engineer has given no account of expenditure hitherto.

Hydro Electric Scheme

The Board has acquired 3.20 acres of land at Durgapur for the Power House and staff quarters. Rs. 1,165 was paid in compensation in addition to a small area of Municipal land given in exchange.

Construction commenced at the end of October 1920. The Power Station and Staff quarters at Durgapur and three sub stations at Naini Tal were nearing completion at the end of the year.

Progress is most satisfactory and if delivery of material is not delayed, power may be available at Naini Tal early in the 1922 season.

13. The hospital was opened on 7th April 1920 and closed on 31st October 1920 and was again in charge of P. Pate Ram Kain. 65

Veterinary Hospital

inpatients and 306 out patients were treated during the season. The income was Rs. 905 against an expenditure of Rs. 1,303 which included Rs. 107 cost of instruments. The dispensary is appreciated and P. Pate Ram Kala has done very good work.

Roads.

14. The rainfall of 1920 was above normal and measured 121". There were eight heavy falls during the monsoon. On 3rd July 1920 we had 7.20" and on 1st September 7.38". The result was that considerable damage was done. A bad slip occurred at the junction of Aubrey Road with the Lower Kaladhungi Road and a breast wall fell. A retaining wall below Edwinstowe on the Middle Ayarpatta Mall collapsed. On five occasions rocks and debris rolled down from Cheena and damaged two drains but caused no loss to private property. The surface of our roads was maintained in good order.

Education.

15. The Board maintains a boys primary school at Malli Tal with a staff of 7 teachers. The cost of maintenance of this school has risen to Rs. 2,191. No fees are charged. The accommodation in the school house is insufficient and rooms are hired in Malli Tal bazar to accommodate the over flow. At Talli Tal there is a private school to which the Board makes an annual grant of Rs. 300. Grants of Rs. 500 are made to three primary schools for girls. In 1907 the Board was exempted from the operation of the rule which required that five per cent of the normal income should be spent on education.

Good school houses are required for boys both at Malli Tal and at Talli Tal and the accommodation provided for the girls is unsatisfactory. At present no site is available for building schools and until the Board can obtain suitable sites it is useless to consider how these buildings are to be financed.

Assembly Rooms.

16. Appended to this report is a statement of account for the year ending 31st March 1921. The income of the year was Rs. 3,703 compared with 3,666 in the previous year. The expenditure was Rs. 3,007 compared with Rs. 5,827 in the previous year. There is a nominal deficit balance. We have still to collect arrears amounting to Rs. 800 of which Rs. 600 is due from the Station Library. On the other hand our liabilities include Rs. 1,000 on account of repairs and debenture charges for 1919 and 1920 amounting to Rs. 4,200. The fabric has been overhauled and carefully repaired by the District Engineer and it is hoped that we shall be able to pay the interest on debentures due for 1919 during the current year.

The Assembly Rooms are now rarely used for the purpose for which they were built. The main hall has been leased for a cinema and the rest of the building is let as shops with the exception of one room which is used for municipal and other meetings.

The income of this building never came up to the anticipation of the founders and with a rise in the cost of repairs it is to be feared that the trustees will find greater difficulties every year in paying the interest on debentures. The redemption of debentures under present conditions appears to be out of the question.

Rules and byelaws.

17. Building byelaws under section 298 (A) have at last been completed, and were confirmed in January 1921. Rules of water were amended in compliance with the instructions of Government, otherwise no changes have been made.

Audit and accounts.

18. The accounts for the year 1919-20 were audited in the month of April 1920, and when the audit was completed only 12 items remained unsettled.

The auditors found the accounts in good order with the exception

of Water Works and coal and commended the work of the Secretary and the staff. The municipal property has been carefully verified by the Secretary. The beginning of the season is a most inconvenient time for audit and throws the office into arrears from which they find it difficult to recover until the visitors leave the station. The result is that the collection of our taxes suffers. It would be a great inconvenience if the audit could take place during the winter when work is slack.

19. During the year the police instituted 10 prosecutions of which 9 were successful. Twelve cases were successfully prosecuted by the Board. There were two cases of unauthorised excavation, one of shooting in Municipal Forests, one of failure to register a birth and eight under the Adulteration of Food and Drugs Act. Twenty three breaches of Forest Law and 2 breaches of licenses were compounded during the year.

Prosecutions

A large number of samples of milk were analysed and prosecutions were instituted in those cases where the adulteration was serious. Milk sold at 4 seers to the rupee and it is to be feared that the quality of milk was no better than it had been previously. The supply of good milk is a problem which has not yet been solved and prosecutions have not done much good.

20. The byelaws under which a census was taken twice a year at Naini Tal have been rescinded. Under orders of Government a special hot weather census was taken in September 1920 and showed that the population was 16,517 compared with 16,788 at the previous census. The general census taken on 18th March 1921 gave the population as 10,393 compared with 9,579 in 1911. The results of the hot weather census were unexpected. The station was crowded to its full extent and it was anticipated that the census would have reflected this congestion. The census was conducted by the Secretary and Municipal staff with some outside help.

Census.

COLLECTION OF TAXES.

21. On 1st April 1921 arrears amounted to Rs. 8,373 under the following heads:—

Collection of Taxes.

1. House Tax	...	Rs. 345
2. Water Tax	...	„ 385
3. Scavenging Tax	...	„ 2,927
4. Rents	...	„ 419
5. Markets	...	„ 145
6. Sale of water	...	„ 3,487
7. Rent of meters	...	„ 665

Collections were satisfactory and showed a considerable improvement on the previous year. The scavenging tax is collected from tenants and unless the staff are prompt, visitors leave the station before they have paid their dues and recovery afterwards is difficult. The arrears under sale of water include demands based on meter readings for February. They were not received in time to issue bills before the year closed. These figures, therefore, are not as bad as they appear.

22. The revenue of the year was Rs. 1,966 compared with Rs. 593 in the previous year. Rs. 1,651 was realised from contractors who purchased trees to burn lime for the Hydro Electric works. In addition, 381 trees were cut and delivered to the water works for fuel. The weight of this fuel is estimated at 12,000 maunds and its value is Rs. 1,600. Forty-seven trees were supplied to the P. W. D. for cons-

Forests.

truction of barriers and other purposes. These two items are not included in the revenue.

Two hundred and seventy-eight cattle were impounded during the year. Twenty-five breaches of Forest Law were convicted or compounded. Rs. 115 were received on this account. The Board are indebted to Mr. Coombs Divisional Forest Officer for his advice and assistance. He reports that the prescriptions of the working plan were carried out fairly well and that care was taken to avoid unnecessary damage in fellings. He advocates, however a more vigorous and systematic effort to sow or plant the blanks and afforest unstable and bare lands.

Work of the Board.

23. The death of Mr. Muirhead on 12th September 1920 robbed the Board of a Vice Chairman, who devoted the greater part of his time to the affairs of the town. He supervised personally various departments and was in close touch with public opinion. He was succeeded by Capt J. E. Corbett, I A. R. O., and the Board are fortunate in obtaining an energetic and efficient successor.

Rai Sahib Lala Jai Lal Sah and Sheikh Abdul Qaiyum have been regular in attendance and done a great deal of work that finds no place in this report. Business on the whole has been promptly despatched and the Board have cooperated loyally with me to remove the legitimate grievances of the public and to carry out the instructions of Government.

In acknowledging the good work done by the Board and individual members named in this report, I take this opportunity to bring their public services to your notice.

Staff.

24. Babu Abinashi Lal, Secretary was absent on sick leave from August to November 1920 when B. Madhusudan Accountant acted as Secretary. The latter worked very hard and gave general satisfaction.

The Board has a competent and energetic secretary in B. Abinashi Lal who has now justified his appointment and is rendering valuable service. The rest of the staff have worked well, notably, B. Har Prasad, Head Clerk, B. Bachaspati, Assistant Accountant, L. Prem Lal Toll Superintendent, P. Chandra Ballabh Tax Collector, P. Durga Datt Tax Collector, P. Mahima Datt Sanitary Inspector, and P. Ganga Ram Ranger.

Acknowledgments.

Lt.-Col. W. S. Willmore, I. M. S., Civil Surgeon, Mr. Hoey, Sanitary Engineer and Messrs. Amoore and Eastmond, Divisional and District Engineers have been always ready to help and advise and the Board tender their thanks.

I have the honour to be
Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

C. A. MUMFORD,

DEPUTY COMMISSIONER AND CHAIRMAN,

Municipal Board, Naini Tal.

ENCLOSURES.

1. Copy of Special Resolution Nos. 2 and 3 of a meeting of the Municipal Board of Naini Tal held on the 13th May 1921.
2. Statement in form A.
3. " " " B.
4. Appendix A.
5. Appendix B.
6. Appendix C.
7. Appendix D.
8. Appendix E.
9. A brief report on the working of the Naini Tal Water Works.
10. Sanitary Report.
11. Abstract of the Assembly Rooms Account.

A. L. SAH,

Secretary.

C. A. MUMFORD

CHAIRMAN,

Municipal Board Naini Tal.

Copy of Special resolution No. 2 of a meeting of the Municipal Board of Naini Tal, held on the 13th May 1921.

The statement and appendices to accompany the Annual Administration report for the year ended 31st March 1921 : to be considered and passed.

PASSED.

Copy of Special Resolution No. 3 of a meeting of the Municipal Board of Naini Tal, held on the 13th May 1921.

Sanitary Report for the year ended 31st March 1921. To be considered and passed.

Returned to Health Officer, for amendment.

Copy of minute No. 7 of a meeting of the Public Health Committee of the Municipal Board of Naini Tal, held on the 14th May 1921.

Sanitary Report for the year ending 31st March 1921.

Considered and passed.

Board's Resolution No 5 dated 21st June 1921.

Confirmed.

A. L. SAH,

Secretary.

C. A. MUMFORD,

Chairman.

Form A

Annual Statement of Income and Expenditure

For the year 1920-21 Population 16,788

Number of item	HEADS OF INCOME	Actuals of the previous year 1919-20	Budget Estimate of current year 1920-21	Actuals for the current year 1920-21
1	2	3	4	5
		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
1	By Balance in Hand at Close of Last year.	97,980	76,786	76,786
	MUNICIPAL RATES AND TAXES —			
3	Tax on the annual value of buildings and lands...	42,067	42,000	45,904
4	Tax on animals and vehicles—			
	(a) tax on boats, ...	261	250	226
	(c) tax on animals used for riding, driving etc. ...	2,000	1,600	1,658
6	Tolls (on roads and ferries) ...	45,550	40,000	46,220
7	Water tax ...	30,888	33,000	33,784
9	Conservancy (including scavenging and latrine taxes) ...	29,456	30,000	30,922
10 (a)	Lake frontage tax ...	707	900	900
11	Total rates and taxes ...	1,50,929	1,47,750	1,59,614
	Realizations under special Acts—			
12	From pounds ...	68	100	133
14	From licenses for Petroleum ...	185	160	181
14 (a)	From other sources* grass ...	131	130	102
15	Total ...	384	390	416
	Revenue derived from Municipal Property & powers apart from taxation.			
16	Rents of lands, houses, <i>sarais</i> (rest houses, dak bungalows) etc. ...	11,722	8,500	8,311
17	Sale proceeds of lands and produce of lands, etc. ...	593	600	1,966
18	Conservancy receipts (other than taxes and rates) ...	17	50	84
19	Fees and revenue from educational institutions... ..	47	5	6
20	Fees and revenue from medical institutions ...	467	900	905
21 (a)	Markets ...	5,701	5,500	6,029
21 (b)	Slaughter-houses ...	5,758	5,000	4,871
22	Sale of water—			
	(1) Sale proceeds of water ...	15,314	14,000	19,458
	(2) Rent of meters ...	1,387	1,400	2,072
	(3) Other items ...	3,286	8,000	9,003
22 (a)	Copying fees ...	78	30	37
23 (c)	Registration fees for Jhampanies ...	108	210	208
23 (d)	License fees on dandies and meat ...	518	500	480
23 (e)	Registration fee for dogs ...	1,380	1,350	1,364
24	Fines under Municipal and other Acts ...	1,287	1,000	975
	<i>Interest of investments.</i>			
25	Premium on loans ...	926	...	...
26	Total ...	48,589	47,645	55,778
	Carried over ...	1,99,902	1,95,185	2,15,808

† To be specified in detail e.g. tax on circumstances and property, pilgrim tax etc. in as many columns as may be necessary.

Judicial fines under special Acts should be credited under "Fines" (column 24)

Number of Item	HEADS OF INCOME	Actuals of the previous year 1919-20	Budget estimate of current year 1920-21	Actuals for the current year 1920-21
1	2	3	4	5
	Brought forward	Rs. 1,99,902	Rs. 1,95,185	Rs. 2,15,808
	Grants and contributions (for general and special purposes):			
	<i>From Government</i>			
30	For general purposes	Rs. 59,438	1,58,621	1,58,621
	<i>From other sources</i>			
36	For general purposes	7,300	...	...
39	Total	46,738	1,58,621	1,58,621
40	Miscellaneous—			
	Recoveries on account of services rendered to private individuals	1,814	300	803
41	Other items	8,103	3,200	4,291
41 (a)	Projection fees	995	30	23
42	Total	10,912	3,530	5,057
43	Total income of year excluding opening balance	2,57,552	3,57,380	3,79,486
	Extraordinary and debt			
45	Loan—From Government	...	...	2,60,000
48	Advances—Permanent	1,000	1,010	1,000
51	Total	1,000	1,010	2,61,000
52*	Total receipts excluding opening balance.	2,58,552	3,58,346	6,40,486
53†	Total receipts including opening balance.	3,56,532	4,35,132	7,17,272
54	Incidence of taxation (column 11) per head of population	Rs. a p. 8 15 1	Rs. a. p. 8 12 10	Rs. a. p. 9-8-1
55	Incidence of income (column 43) per head of population	15 15 6	21 4 7	22-9-8

*Should show the totals of columns 43 and 51.

† " " " " " 1 and 52.

ESTIMATED EXPENDITURE.

Number of item	HEADS OF EXPENDITURE	Actuals of the previous year 1919-20	Budget Estimate of current year 1920-21	Actuals for the current year 1920-21
1	2	3	4	5
	General administration and collection charges.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
1	General administration (office establishment, inspection, honorary magistrates' establishment etc.)	9,414	14,277	14,277
2	Collection of taxes including bonded ware-houses (establishment, purchase of account books and paper, money-boxes, repairs to outposts, etc)	1,188	1,608	1,515
3	Collection of tolls on roads and ferries	5,795	9,156	8,475
4	Survey of land	32	50	23
5	Refunds (other than octroi)	107	200	98
	Total	16,536	25,291	24,388
	Public Safety-			
9	Lighting (establishment, purchase of lamps, oil, repairs, etc.)	9,142	9,154	9,154
	Total	9,142	9,154	9,154
	Public health and convenience-			
12	Water supply { Capital outlay	1,249	700	613
13	Water supply { Establishment, repairs etc.	49,765	84,733	80,219
14	Drainage { Capital outlay	12,178	757	219
15	Drainage { Establishment repairs, etc.	9,654	9,737	9,737
16	Conservancy (including road cleaning and watering and latrines)	...	...	...
	(a) Subordinate establishment	30,768	37,206	37,206
	(b) Cost and feed of livestock	829	840	789
	(c) Plant and contingencies	2,318	3,009	3,009
17	Charges on account of Health officers and sanitary inspectors	5,776	4,023	4,023
18	Hospitals and dispensaries	7,455	5,283	5,040
20	Vaccination	653	690	672
21	Other sanitary requirements	11,517	10,331	5,917
22	Markets and slaughter-houses	2,355	1,333	1,333
23	Ponds	46	62	37
24	Dak bungalows and sarais	55	60	2
25	Arboriculture, public gardens and experimental cultivation	446	540	481
26	Veterinary charges	1,935	1,303	1,303
28	Public works { Establishment	4,572	6,931	6,931
29	Public works { Buildings	1,208	1,200	1,127
30	Public works { Roads	63,414	24,502	24,502
31	Public works { Stores	1,691	413	413
31(a)	Hydro Electric supply	...	1,53,948	4,13,948
	Total	2,07,884	2,47,601	5,97,521
	Carried over	2,33,562	3,82,046	6,31,063

Number of item	HEADS OF EXPENDITURE	Actuals of the previous year 1919-20	Budget estimate of current year 1920-21	Actuals for the current year 1920-21
1	2	3	4	5
		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
	Brought forward	2,33,562	3,82,046	6,31,063
	Public Instruction*—			
32	Schools and colleges	2,096	2,991	2,991
32 (a)	Construction and repairs of school buildings	244	54	31
33	Contributions	172	172	172
35	Total	2,512	3,217	3,194
	Contributions*—			
36	For general purposes	2,117	2,117	2,117
	Miscellaneous—			
	Interest			
38	of loans { Interest due on account of current year	8,558	8,040	8,041
40	Actual cost of work done for private individuals...	1,443	600	534
41	Other items { Printing charges	3,000	2,650	2,650
41 (b)	{ Provident Fund	885	1,054	1,054
41 (c)	{ Government share of nazul proceeds	288	289	240
41 (d)	{ Rents	2,641	2,923	2,890
41 (f)	{ Miscellaneous	7,233	10,022	9,945
42	Total	23,753	25,578	25,354
43	Total Expenditure	2,61,944	4,12,058	6,61,728
	Extraordinary and debt—			
47	Repayment of loans	16,862	17,320	17,319
48	Advances—Permanent	1,000	1,010	1,000
51	Total	17,862	18,330	18,319
*52	Total Disbursements	2,79,746	4,31,288	6,80,047
	BALANCE—			
54	Actual balances	76,786	3,844	37,225
55	Total	76,786	3,844	37,225
*56	Grand Total	3,56,532	4,35,132	7,17,272
58	Permanent advance	1,000	1,010	1,000

*Should show the total of items 43 and 51.

Dated the 26th April 1921: " " " " " 52 and 55

*Contributions should be classified according to the object for which they are made, e. g. for schools under public instruction, etc. Contributions, not made for any particular purpose or for a purpose for which no separate head is provided, should be charged under this head.

A. L. SAH
Secretary.

C. A. MUMFORD
Chairman.

Certified that the closing balance at the credit of Naini Tal Municipality on 31st March 1921 was Rs. 46,469/13/0.

(Sd.) J. P. NICHOLSON
Treasury Officer,
Naini Tal.

Note:—Outstanding on uncashed cheques at the closed of the year was Rs. 9,332. Receipts for 31st March 1921 credited (vide G. O. No. 1825/XI-10 H. dated 1st November 1919) on 16th April 1921 was Rs. 487.

Form B.

MUNICIPALITY OF NAINI TAL

Statement of Expenditure on original works during the year 1920—1921.

Number.	Nature of works	Total estimated cost	Amount expended in previous year	Amount allotted in the year of report	Amount expended during the year of report.	Remarks
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	<i>Collection of Tolls.</i>					
1	Reconstruction of toll chauki at Tonnocheys ..	1255	Nil	1255	903	Completed & paid for.
2	<i>Water supply-capital outlay</i> Renewal of Endcliffe reservoir to Malli Tal ..	700	...	700	613	Nearing completion.
3	<i>Hospitals and dispensaries</i> Water connection to Manora Epidemic Hospital ...	2181	1650	531	288	Completed & paid for.
4	<i>Other Sanitary requirements</i> Urgent sanitary works ..	500	197	303	Nil	Lapsed.
5	Special repairs to rubbish carts...	250	...	250	...	In progress.
6	Two conservancy carts ...	900	1	899	857	Completed & paid for.
7	Incinerators and dustbins ..	16225	8777	7448	4083	Nearing completion.
8	Lake weeding ...	500	...	500	121	Completed & paid for.
9	Special repairs to incinerators at Rajpur and Malli Tal ...	400	...	400	514	Do.
10	Latrine for sanitary Inspector's Quarters at Talii Tal ..	190	...	190	177	Do
11	Retaining walls on the road to Talii tal Dhobi ghat ...	341	...	341	165	Do.
12	<i>Markets and slaughter houses</i> Special repairs to beef market ...	1112	543	569	576	Do.
13	<i>Drainage and capital out lay.</i> Special repairs to Bazar drains...	2254	1497	757	219	Do.
14	<i>Public works roads.</i> Special repairs to road leading to Sepoy Dhara from the cart road ...	165	...	165	...	In progress.
15	Special monsoon repairs (protection of roads & hill side from further damage on sherka-danda and Ayarpatta) ...	8169	...	8169	8169	Completed Paid to P. W. D. from municipal funds.
16	Hydro Electric scheme ...	12,82,000	...	1,53,948	4,13,948	In progress.
17	<i>Other Items Miscellaneous.</i> Band stand ...	3690	...	3690	3519	Work completed & paid from Capt J. Corbette's contribution.
	Total ..	13,20,832	12665	1,80,115	4,34,152	

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Secretary.C. A. MUMFORD,
Chairman.

1		2	No. of schools or training classes.						Expenditure from Municipal Funds.								17
			No. of scholars on rolls on the 31st March 1921.		In English schools.	In training classes.	In vernacular middle classes	In upper primary classes of vernacular schools.	In lower primary classes of vernacular schools.	In other special schools.	Cost of teachers.	Contingencies etc.	Inspection.	Scholarships.	Contributions to District Board.	Grants-in-aid.		Total recurring expenditure.	Buildings and occasional repairs.
		3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	
Intra-Municipal Schools managed by municipal or District Board.	Primary schools Municipal Primary School	1	...	...	...	26	124	...	1927	264	...	172	...	2363	31	Includes pay of a Chaudhar at Rs. 12/- per month
	Total	1	...	...	...	26	124	...	1927	264	...	172	...	2363	31	
Intra-Municipal Colleges and schools aided by Municipal Board.	Preparatory Schools	1	...	...	...	...	81	...	...	...	...	...	300	300	...	Total
	Total	1	...	...	...	...	81	...	...	...	...	...	300	300	...	
Total boy's education		2				26	205		1927	264	...	172	300	2663	31		
Girl's schools aided by Municipal Board.	Primary schools	3	...	...	...	170	...	...	...	...	...	...	500	500	...	Total
	Total girls' schools	3	170	500	500	...		
Total expenditure from municipal funds						1927	264	...	172	800	3163	31		

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Chairman

APPENDIX C

Showing expenditure on water works and sewerage and drainage works in the Naini Tal municipality for 1920-1921.

Water works.				Sewerage and drainage works.			
Nature of charges	Budget allotment.	Amount of expenditure.	Total	Nature of charges.	Budget allotment	Amount of expenditure.	Total
1.—Establishment—				1.—Establishment—			
(a) Permanent establishment.		14,696		(a) Permanent ..			
(b) Office contingencies ..		358	15,054	(b) Temporary ..			
(c) Rent ..				(c) Office contingencies ..			
(d) Rent ..				(d) Rent ..			
2.—Pumping—				2.—Construction—			
(a) Coal ...		52,067		(a) Sewers ...			
(b) Oil and waste ...		876		(b) Surface drains ...	757	219	219
(c) Other stores ..		371	53,314	(c) Latrines ..			
(d) Pail depots ..				(d) Pail depots ..			
3.—Intake—				3.—Repairs—			
(a) Training river ..				(a) Sewers ...			
(b) Clearing channels and wells.				(b) Surface drains ..	9,737	9,737	9,737
4.—Settling tanks and filters—				(c) Latrines ..			
(a) Clearing settling tank				(d) Pail depots ..			
(b) Clearing and renewing filter beds.				4.—Machinery—			
(c) Purchase of sand ...				(a) Purchase of new machinery.			
5.—Distribution—				(b) Repairs to old machinery.			
(a) Pipes and fittings ...		3,571		5.—Other charges—			
(b) Meters ...		465	4,036	(a) Compensation for land taken up.			
6.—Repairs—							
(a) To Tanks ..		154					
(b) To buildings and grounds.		316					
(c) To machinery ..		6,260					
(d) To tools and plant ...		229	6,899				
7.—Water analysis		916	916				
Total ...	84,733	80,219	80,219	Total ...	10,494	9,956	9,956

APPENDIX D.

WATER WORKS.

Statement of Operations during the year 1920-1921.

<i>Population.</i>		
By census of 1911 in municipality	...	16,768
Ditto cantonment	...	1,289
Total	...	18,027
<i>Cost of works.</i>		
Initial capital cost	Rs. ...	2,47,000
Cost of extensions and improvements to end of previous year	,, ...	4,21,826
Ditto ditto during the year	,, ...	613
Total cost of works	,, ...	6,69,439
<i>Consumption of filtered water.</i>		
During year including cantonment	Gallons ...	58,478,612
Daily average ditto	,, ...	1,46,516
Maximum daily average in any one month	,, ...	70,41,352
Daily average for cantonment alone	,, ...	3,663
Average number of hours filtered water pumped daily	,, ...	11.45
<i>Annual charges and receipts.</i>		
Maintenance charges	Rs.	80,219
Total charges with interest and payment of loan	<div> <div>Maintenance charges 80219</div> <div>Interest and repayment 23014</div> </div>	1,03,233
<i>Income from water works.</i>		
Water-rate recovered during year	Rs.	33,784
Sale of water and other receipts	,, ...	30,533
Total income	,, ...	64,317
<i>Number of house connection at end of year.</i>		
For purely domestic purposes	...	236
For other purposes	...	20
Total	...	256
Number of connections with meters	...	230

NOTE:—The water was not applied for and hence the meters were not fixed back for domestic and non-domestic purposes at 19+3=22 house connections respectively.

A. HODGEN,
SUPERINTENDENT,
Water Works.

C. A. MUMFORD

Chairman

APPENDIX E

Statement of expenditure from non-recurring grants and loans for the year ending 31st March 1921.

Particulars of loan or grant (authority, purpose and amount)	Amount taken up to the end of last year.	Amount received during the year under report.	Total	Expenditure up to the end of last year	Expenditure in the year under report.	Total.	Balance of amount taken up to date left unexpended.	Remarks
Government grant for the Hydro Electric scheme & improvement to water supply G.O. No. 1031/XI 451E dated 9th July 1920.	Nil	1,50,000	410000	...	4,13,948	4,13,948		
Loan for the Hydro Electric scheme and improvement to water supply G.O. No. 2192/XI/-451E dated 22nd December 1920 and No. 126/XI/451E dated 22nd January 1921	Nil	2,60,000						
Improving the water supply of Khurpatal, Board of Public Healths No. 628/ D. P. H. 113 dated 11th June 1920	Nil	3,000	3,000	Nil	Nil	Nil	3,000	The excess of Rs. 3418/ over the receipts was met from Municipal income and will be recouped and adjusted.

A. L. SAH,
Secretary.C. A. MUMFORD, I. C. S.
Chairman.

**A brief report on the working of the Naini Tal Water Works
during the year ended March 31st 1921 by the
Superintendent, Water Works, Mr. A. Hodgen.**

I beg to submit my report on the working of the Water Works for the year ending March 1921.

1. The Boilers have worked well and are in good order and have been passed as such by the Boiler Inspector.

Instead of getting a new economiser, I have put the old one into thorough repair by rejecting the defective tubes and headers and connecting up the serviceable ones. It has reduced the size a little but it is still serviceable and has been working well.

2. The Engines No II and III are in fair working order: No. I Engine is still working with the cracked pump chambers; I put in my order for these chambers in November 1920 but they have not as yet been supplied by Messrs Worthington Simpson & Co, from whom they have been ordered. The Sanitary Engineer's notice has been drawn to the delay in supplying these parts. All repairs recommended by the Government Examining Engineer have been carried out.

All the auxiliary engines are in working order.

The equilibrium valves were fitted and on being tested were found unsatisfactory. As they put a bigger load on the engines, they are not being used at present.

3. The High speed engines and Chlorine plant are in working order and will be used if necessary should there be a shortage of water from the springs.

4. The springs at "Spring Cottage" and "Lakeview" have been in use all the year and saved coal.

5. All the collecting reservoirs have been cleaned out in March, June and September: and the small stand posts once a month, during the season.

The High Level springs are also cleaned out once a month.

6. The fixing of the Eadcliffe tank at the site near the Malli Tal Public Latrine has been completed and the connecting with the low level main is in hand and will be completed shortly.

7. The work in connection with the Hydro Electric Scheme is in full swing and it is impossible to do anything for the present to make the grounds look presentable or keep them clean.

8. The dumping ground for the ashes and clinker is a vexed question and decision should be arrived at very early as to what is to be done with them. At present it is being dumped on the side of the road which is a cause of annoyance. Arrangements should be made to cart it away out of Naini Tal.

9. The lake engine plant is in working order.

For the three dry months—April, May and June—the engines do not seem to be large enough for the needs of the station.

A. HODGEN,
SUPERINTENDENT,
Water Works,
Naini Tal.

Sanitary Report of the Municipality of Naini Tal for the year ending 31st March 1921.

One copy to be transmitted direct to the Sanitary Commissioner on or before the 30th April.

Questions	Answers
1. State (1) the total annual income excluding the opening balance, (2) the opening balance, (3) the receipts from Conservancy and (4) the expenditure on conservancy during the year.	1. Total annual income excluding opening balance Rs. 3,79,486 The opening balance Rs. 76,786 The receipts from conservancy Rs. 31,004 The expenditure on conservancy item 16 of the balance sheet Rs. 41,034
2. State briefly the chief sanitary defects, the remedial measures adopted and new projects under contemplation.	2. Disposal of refuse has improved since last year but still remains unsatisfactory. Majority of the houses in the Bazars are in a "deplorable" condition and are poorly ventilated, overcrowded and improperly drained. It is under consideration to rebuild a portion of the Malli Tal Bazar and to acquire the Wilsonganj area.
3. State briefly the sanitary works executed or in progress during the year including :—	3. Six incinerators were constructed and one of these is under re-construction. These are of the latest design.
(A) Sewage and drainage.	(A) Nil.
(1) Number of house connections for sullage and sewage.	(1) Two, namely one at Waverley Quarters, and one at Government House.
(2) Improvements to sewage or drainage.	(2) Nil.
(B) Improvements to water supply with the number of new house connections.	(B) Nil.
(C) Improvements to Conservancy namely :— Number of public and private waterborne latrines.	(C) Nil.
(D) Improvements to site, and	(D) Nil.
(E) Any other improvements that may have been effected.	(E) Nil.
4. How the refuse and night-soil are removed and disposed of?	(4) The refuse is partly carted away and thrown into the khuds out side inhabited area and partly incinerated in the compounds. Night soil is carried to the pail depots in closed buckets and ultimately disposed off at Ransi Sewage Farm.

Questions	Answers
(a) The places appointed under section 273	(a) There are eight pail depots where night-soil is brought for disposal and seventeen incinerators where-in refuse is burnt.
(b) The number and pattern of public latrine seats for males and females in working order	(6) 78 Male seats Water flushed. 35 " gumla type 22 female " water flushed 8 " gumla type
(c) The number and pattern of urinals and dust bins	(c) The dust bins are of open masonry type and three of them roofed dustbins of new design. The urinals are of no special type. There is only one flushed urinal
(d) The number and pattern of private latrines in use and	(d) 800 private latrines of the Kadamcha pattern. A few are of the Hornbury type
(e) Total number of cess pits, approximate amount of sullage per day and the number of carts used for removal	(e) Almost every latrine and kitchen of the bungalows has a catch-pit for its sullage. This pit is emptied by buckets and carried to the pail depots. The amount of sullage per day is not known.
5. State the number of notices issued under sections 186, 192, 211, 245, 267, 268, 269, 276, 278, and 284 and the number complied with under each section.	(5) 250, under section 267 and under other sections none. Many of them have yet to be complied with and steps are being taken to ascertain the reasons for noncompliance.
6. State if bye-laws have been made under the following heads of section 298 A. F. C. D. E. (c) F. G. I. and J. (a), (b), (d).	(6) Building bye-laws under 298 A. have been made and bye-laws under head B. are under consideration
7. State the number of cases prosecuted under the Adulteration of Food and Drugs Act and the results.	(7) 56 samples of milk were sent for analyses to Public Analyst Lucknow, during 1920. Eight cases were prosecuted and were fined Rs 178. The remaining samples were found genuine.
8. Give a brief report on the :— (a) General health of people.	(8) (a) The general health of the people was good. Relapsing fever, Influenza, small-pox had occurred during the year, persons suffering from these diseases were of the labour class. The mortality was 287 as compared to 268 in the year previous.
(b) Particularly of any outbreak of epidemic disease during the year, with date of commencement and termination, the methods adopted to control the epidemic, and arrangements for isolation of infectious cases.	(b) A mild type of Influenza was prevalent from the beginning of April 1920 to the end of the July 1920, and in a little severer form during the months of October, November and December. After a period of quiescence for two months the epidemic broke out again in the month of February 1921, in a mild form. There are still few cases which occur here and there. The methods adopted to control the epidemic were—(1) the distribution of medicine free of charge and (2) the giving out of written instructions in Hindi to the public as regards the care and treatment of the sick.
(c) The number of children born and the number of deaths under one year of age from 1st January to 31st December 1920.	(c) 286 births were registered. The number of deaths registered under one year of age was 66, a mortality of 230 per thousand births.
(d) The areas which record the highest death rates	(d) The two Bazars Malli Tal and Talli Tal record the highest death rates

JAMES T. CORNELIUS,
M. A., M. D., D. P. H.,
Health Officer
Naini Tal.

C. A. MUMFORD,
Chairman,
MUNICIPAL BOARD,
Naini Tal.

Abstract of the Assembly Rooms Account for the year ending 31st March 1921.

Receipts.	Amount.	Total	Expenditure.	Amount	Total	Remark
By rent from Messrs Ord and Miles (cinema) ...	1,737		Balance on 31st March 1920 (deficit) ..		698	
By rent of lower central hall from Mr. J. Young ..	700		Pay of establishment.	578		
By rent of rooms Ayarpatta wing from R. & K. Railway	400		Fire Policy ...	440		
By rent of library for the calendar year 1919 ...	600		Annual repairs ...	146		
By sale price of a standard piano and other articles ...	266	3,703	Special repairs to the Assembly rooms back Verandah ground floor ...	1,800		
Balance on 31st March 1921 (deficit) ...		2	Miscellaneous ...	43	3,007	
Total Rs ...		3,705	Total Rs. ...		3,705	

A. L. SAH

Secretary

C. A. MUMFORD

Chairman

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FOR THE YEAR ENDING

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H. R. Gracey Esqr., C. B. E., I. C. S.

Commissioner, Muzoon Division.

TO THE CHAIRMAN,

MUNICIPAL BOARD, NAINI TAL,

Dated, Naini Tal, the 28th June 1920.

SIR,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of the Annual Administration Report of the Naini Tal Municipality for the year ending 31st March 1920, which I note was submitted late for the reasons given in its first paragraph.

2. It is satisfactory that the attendance of the members has been good and that the various sub-committees have devoted so much time to their respective duties.

3. Under the head income the important variations have been under the conservancy tax and the sale proceeds of water. The substitution of a scavenging tax for the conservancy and bazar capitation taxes previously in force has resulted in a loss of Rs. 9,350. The report makes no comment on this drop beyond stating why it has occurred. The loss is a serious one and the Board might well consider whether the scavenging tax might not be made to bring in something nearer the income formerly received from the taxes it superseded. The reason for the improvement in the sale proceeds of water is sufficiently explained. At the same time, it is not possible to view without a certain amount of apprehension the fact that the result has been an increase in the direct charges on visitors to Naini Tal, so many of whom are officials and officers on fixed and limited incomes who already find the burden of expenses in this hill station extremely heavy.

4. In regard to the expenditure side of the balance sheet it is satisfactory to see that the Board have realized the necessity of paying sweepers a living wage, and also that the Board have made provision for the improvement of the pay of their general staff to meet the increased cost of living.

5. Para 10. of the Report shows that the Municipality was generously treated by Government in the matter of special grants. The Board and the public are also, as the Report notes in para 11, deeply indebted to Captain Corbett for generously placing Rs. 7,300 at the disposal of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor with a wish that the money should be expended for the benefit of Naini Tal.

6. The Report in Para 12 gives a full and lucid account of the original works undertaken. The remarks made in regard to a defective design of incinerators which had been recommended by a previous Sanitary Commissioner and approved by the Sanitary Board deserve serious consideration and I am bringing them to the notice of Government with a view to action being taken to prevent intractable expense of this nature being incurred again. The septic tanks that formed part of the Runsi Sewage farm are noted in the report as leaving much to be desired and I consider that the Board has acted prudently in postponing expenditure on clearing them of debris until the professional opinion of the Sanitary Engineer has been obtained. The improvement of the roads that has resulted and is being extended owing to the Local Government's special grant of Rs. 53,000/- in the previous year has proved of great advantage to the station.

7. The questions connected with the Water Works are naturally closely intermingled with those of the new Hydro-Electric scheme and the Board has rightly decided to deal with them both together.

8. It is satisfactory that general health was good throughout the year. The death rate of 20.3 per thousand was very low in the Municipality, but it may be partly due to the fluctuating nature of the population. The Municipality was given a thorough inspection by the Sanitary Commissioner in June, 1919, and the report shows that his proposals are receiving the Board's attention. I trust that, if the matter of the extension of the system of sewers to the Bazars and adjacent houses in the civil station is taken up, the scheme will be scrutinized by experts down to the minutest detail. A few weeks ago I had to pass through one of the most important towns in the provinces at a time when its sewers were for some reason or other not working properly, and the stench arising from them was intolerable over a considerable area. The report remarks that the Sanitary Commissioner's proposals involve an enormous expenditure that is altogether beyond the Board's present means. I would suggest the Board's intimating to the Sanitary Commissioner the amount that they have available for expenditure and asking him to suggest the more important improvements that can be completed for that amount. It is obvious that the suggestion of a large programme of improvements, however excellent they may be intrinsically is of little value to the Board if for financial reasons the Board cannot give practical effect to such a programme.

9. In regard to the formation of an improvement Trust, I have recently in my No. 4,950/XXVIII-17 dated the 4th June 1920, forwarded to the Board a copy of the Government orders on the subject in which it has been intimated that the Local Government intends to appoint a committee in Naini Tal to consider and report on the question of improvements. When that committee's report has been received, Government will be in a position to consider the next step to be taken. In the mean time in view of the fact that I have recently thought it desirable to ask the Board to reconsider a resolution sanctioning the erection of a fresh building in Malli Tal Bazar, I would suggest that the Board should for the present, although Government has in their No. 159/XI-553 E, dated 3rd February 1920 left all such matters to the Board's discretion, follow the long-established practice of refusing all such extensions until they have learnt what the committee's proposals are likely to be. It is obvious that if an Improvement Trust is eventually established, a great number of buildings will have to be demolished and very heavy expenditure incurred under this head alone. To allow the erection of buildings at this late stage that may within a year or two have to be pulled down again would be a short-sighted policy.

10. In the mean time the Board is now able to look forward to the most important project that it has ever contemplated becoming an accomplished fact at a comparatively early date, I refer to the Hydro-Electric Scheme, on which something like 11½ lacs are to be spent. This sum will be met to the extent of 3 lacs by a grant from the Local Government and to the extent of the remainder by a loan. I have scrutinized the various proposals and estimates for this scheme since the date of its inception and consider that the Board have not only been wise in undertaking it for the sake of improved amenities, but also that it should turn out a sound proposition from the financial point of view.

11. The Report discusses the Board's markets at some length. There can be no doubt that in the matter of certain classes of supplies the trade of the town has to some extent fallen into the hands of

monopolists who have forced up prices to an illegitimate degree. This unsatisfactory state of things is undoubtedly contrary to the public interest and is no doubt to a very large degree due to the fact that the scarcity of shops prevents outsiders coming in and competing with the monopolists for the very large profits that they are at present enjoying. I am not sure whether the Board should not make attempt to defeat the monopolists by refusing to let their shops to tradesmen who have in the past been guilty of pronounced profiteering. I have heard repeated complaints of the discourtesy and extortionate rates of some of the purveyors of most and similar commodities. The Board undoubtedly has power directly and indirectly to improve things in this respect, since they have control over both markets and licenses, and I would suggest the Board's going seriously into the matter in the interest of the welfare of the settlement.

12. It is noted with satisfaction that the accounts of the Board were described as satisfactory by the Auditors.

13. In regard to the Report's remarks as to the prosecution of milk vendors who adulterate their milk with water, it appears desirable that the most rigorous prosecution in all cases detected should be insisted upon. There is no greater danger to the health of the community than milk in which water from some unascertained source has been mixed. It is better that the public should have to pay a rupee for 4 seers of pure milk than that they should suffer from the delusion that they are getting 6 seers of milk for the same sum when, as a matter of fact, they are still only getting 4 seers of milk with the addition of 2 seers with water which may be contaminated with typhoid germs.

14. I note with pleasure that especially good work has been done by Mr. Muirhead, Vice-Chairman, and that he has relieved the Chairman of a large amount of labour. The Report further brings to notice that Mr. Busher, Rai Sahib L. Jai Lal Sah and Sheikh Abdul Qaiyum have been regular in attendance and performed many ~~serious~~ duties also. Apart from the gentlemen especially mentioned, the Board as a whole has worked well. After much recent experience of Municipal Boards in which there has been constant bickering among members themselves and systematic obstruction to the Chairman, it is with very genuine pleasure that I note that the Naini Tal Board's proceedings have been characterised by good temper, a spirit of compromise, and a loyal desire to carry out the decision of the majority even when there has been diversity of opinion upon any point.

15. The Board has also been well served by its Secretary and staff, and owes a debt of gratitude for advice and assistance to the officers mentioned in Paragraph 33, of the Report.

16. In conclusion I wish to congratulate the Board upon a year of undoubtedly good and useful work.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant

H. K. GRACEY,

COMMISSIONER,

Kumaon Division.

**Memo of dates of Annual Administration Report of the NAINI TAL
Municipality for 1919-20**

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Certified that the figures have been checked and necessary corrections were made.

C. A. MUMFORD

O. B. E., I. C. S.,

Chairman.

From

C. A. MUMFORD Esq., O. B. E., I. C. S.
Deputy Commissioner and Chairman,
MUNICIPAL BOARD,
NAINI TAL.

To

THE COMMISSIONER, KUMAON DIVISION,
NAINI TAL.

No. 942/I-2 dated $\frac{8th}{9th}$ June 1920.

SIR,

I have the honour to submit the annual administration report of the Naini Tal Municipality for the year ending 31st March 1920, with the appendices passed by Board's special resolutions Nos. 18 and 19 dated 30th April 1920.

The report is late and I regret the delay. The auditors monopolised the office throughout April, and then most of the clerks were disabled by influenza.

Constitution.

2. There has been no change in the constitution of the Board. Mr. Grant was Chairman till 23rd April 1919, when I succeeded him. Mr. J. R. Muirhead was re-elected Vice Chairman. Mr. K. G. Harper I. C. S., and Mr. S. Edgar, District Engineer have both been transferred and replaced by Mr. J. Eytan I. C. S., and Mr. E. Eastmond M. C., District Engineer. Of the three nominated members, Dr. Pandya, Deputy Sanitary Commissioner, resigned on 2nd April 1919 and Capt. J. E. Corbett, I. A. R. O., was appointed to fill this vacancy.

Meetings.

3. 18 meetings of the Board were held, of which one was an adjourned meeting to finish the business of the previous day, and two were adjourned for want of quorum. The attendance has been decidedly good. Allowances must be made for the fact that the Board was below strength for several months of the year, and that officials and non-officials are away from Naini Tal for the greater part of the winter. Mr. Muirhead 17; Rai Sahib L. Jai Lal Sah 16; L. Keshi Sah 15; L. Govin Lal Sah 12; Mr. Busher 12; Sh Abdul Qaiyum 11; were most regular in attendance. The routine work of the Board is performed by means of committees. The Public Works Committee held 13 meetings; Toll and Taxes Committee 12; Finance Committee 11; and Public Health 5. In addition, the Assessment and Market Committees held several meetings and an Education Committee was constituted during the year.

Income.

4. The total income of the year amounted to Rs. 257,552, compared with 290,771, in the previous year. Excluding Government grants (Rs. 39,438) contributions (Rs. 7,300), and unspent balance of grant refunded by P. W. D. (Rs. 4,912), the revenue of the year amounted to Rs. 205,902. In the previous year our revenue was Rs. 222,037 so that the revenue of the current year was less by Rs. 16,135 than in the previous year. Three items account for this fall:—

(1) The new scavenging tax yielded Rs. 9,350 less than the conservancy tax in force in the previous year.

(2) Sale of salt had yielded Rs. 4,006 in the previous year.

(3) Arrears amounting to Rs. 5,210 had been recovered in the previous year.

5. I proceed to deal with the main variations under the several heads of income.

(3) *House Tax*—The figures for 1918-19 included Rs. 2,344 on account of arrears, therefore, the actual yield of house tax was somewhat better than in the previous year.

(6) *Tolls*—Arrears amounting to Rs. 1,449 were recovered in 1918-19, so that the actual income from tolls was practically the same as in the previous year.

(7) *Water Tax*.—In the same way is practically the same as in the previous year because arrears amounting to Rs. 1,417 were included in that figure.

(9) *Conservancy Tax*.—The drop of Rs. 9,350 is due to the substitution of a scavenging tax for the Conservancy and Bazaar Capitation taxes previously in force.

(16) *Rents*.—The increase of Rs. 1,636 is due to higher rents obtained.

(20) *Fees*.—Rs. 467 represent receipts from a Veterinary Dispensary opened in Malli Tal in May 1919.

(21) *a. Markets*—Higher rents were obtained for the shops situated in our markets.

(23) 1. Sale proceeds of water improved because the provisions of section 232 were strictly enforced. This section provides that the Board shall deduct from the charge on account of water supplied in any month 1/12th water tax assessed on the property. This change in the method of charging for water caused considerable discontent, because the majority of houses are closed for five months in the year, and many house holders have to pay heavy bills for water during the summer months.

(23) 3. The proprietors of the cinema at the Assembly Rooms were allowed to use the Lake Engine and were supplied with certain stores. Receipts on this account explain the increase under this head.

41. Refunds by P. W. D. of balances of unspent grants amounted to Rs. 5,869 against Rs. 7,971 in the previous year.

(41) *a. Projection fees*.—The higher figure is due to the fact that in the previous year fees had only been recovered on account of a part of the year.

Expenditure.

6. The actual expenditure of the year was Rs. 278,746 compared with Rs. 245,629 in the previous year. From the totals shown at p. 52 in the Balance Sheet have been excluded permanent advances and deposits (Nos. 48 and 50). This total includes Rs. 198,691 from revenue and Rs. 80,055 from grants and contributions. Our expenditure from revenue was, therefore, considerably less than in the previous year.

7. The following items on the expenditure side of the Balance Sheet require explanation:—

(1) *General Administration*.—The cost of general administration has been increased by the payment of Rs. 608 on account of absentee allowances of a former Secretary, Mr. Murphy, made under instructions of the Accountant General. Compensation for dearness of food was paid at Rs 2/8 compared with Re. 1/8 last year.

(2) and (3) *Collection*.—Increments of salary and payment of compensation at the higher rate account for the difference.

(9) *Lighting*.—The hours of lighting were curtailed on account of the high price and shortage of oil, and thereby some economy was affected

(16) a. *Conservancy*.—Allowances for dearness of food was increased from Re. 1 to Rs. 2/8. The sweepers are paid Rs. 6 a month plus an allowance of Rs. 2/8.

(17) *Sanitary Inspectors*.—Two sanitary inspectors were employed, whereas there was only one in the previous year.

(18) *Hospitals*.—A pipe line was laid to the Epidemic Hospital at Manora.

(21) *Other Sanitary Requirements*.—The details are given in form B.

(26) *Veterinary charges*.—The figure of the previous year was the cost of erecting the Veterinary dispensary.

(28) *Public Works*.—An allowance of Rs. 100 a month has been sanctioned to the District Engineer for supervision of Municipal Work.

(41)c. *Nazul charges*.—Rs. 288 represents the Government share for the year under report; whereas in 1918-19 arrears were included.

(41)d. *Rents*.—Rs. 2,400 were paid as rent of two bungalows engaged for the Band. An Indian Band was engaged and accommodated in Cantonments. Both bungalows were sub-let and the sublease money is included in Head 16 on the income side.

(41)f. An item of Rs. 4,912 being the unspent balance of government grant for drain No. 56 was received from the P. W. D. and refunded to Government.

Closing Balance.

8. The year opened with a balance of Rs. 97,980 of which details have been given in para 6 of last report. The year closed with a cash balance of Rs. 76,786 of which the details are :—

Contribution from Capt. Corbett	... Rs. 7,300
Allotments for unfinished works	... Rs. 17,519
Revenue	... Rs. 51,967

9. The Board has closed the year with a substantial balance and has managed so far to meet liabilities. The Notified Area of Haldwani owe the Board Rs. 6,500 as the price of a jewel Filter removed from the Water Works to Haldwani. On the other hand bills amounting to Rs. 600 are outstanding against the Board. The outlook, however, is uncertain. Towards the end of the year the Board provided a lump sum of Rs. 12,000 to improve the pay of their staff. The Hydro-Electric Scheme is to be financed and the list of sanitary improvements that are necessary is long and expensive.

The Local Government has always treated the Board with great generosity and will doubtless continue to do so, but the Board realises that if prices continue at their present pitch the efficient maintenance of the ordinary Municipal services will swallow up the income of the Board and leave no margin for improvements. Though direct taxation in Naini Tal is not high, the cost of living is as high, if not higher, than at other hill stations; and the Board are loath to add to the financial burdens of residents and visitors until the necessity is apparent.

Government Grants.

10. The total grants received from the Local Government amounted to Rs. 39,438 during the year under the report. The Board acknowledge the generous assistance ungrudgingly given.

Recurring grants included Rs. 5,000 for general sanitary purposes and Rs. 722 contributed towards the salary of two sanitary inspectors.

There were three non-recurring grants which are detailed in Appendix E. These grants were spent on repairing damage done by the monsoon and on protection of the hillside but conservation of the hill side is an expensive proposition and confers no lasting benefit on the community.

Contributions.

11. Capt. J. E. Corbett I. A. R. O. placed Rs. 7,300 at the disposal of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor and expressed a wish that this money should be expended for the benefit of Naini Tal. A Band Stand on the Flats estimated to cost Rs. 4,000 is nearly complete and it is suggested that the balance be spent in providing a Soldiers Reading Room. The Board and the public are deeply indebted to Capt. Corbett for his generosity. A band stand has long been wanted and will add greatly to the attractions of the Flats.

Original Works.

12. The programme of original works is detailed in Form B. Out of an allotment of Rs. 96,419 Rs. 79,241 was spent, and certain works are not yet complete.

The capital outlay on water supply is small because the Hydro-Electric project contemplates the electrification of the Water Works and it is, therefore, desirable to restrict expenditure to absolute necessity.

Under capital outlay on drainage the main item is special repairs to drains on Cheena which were damaged in the monsoon. This is merely a protective work and can hardly be classed as drainage.

The only hospital maintained by the Board is an Infectious Hospital at Manora. This hospital is outside the area supplied by the water works and a special pipeline has been laid to give a water supply. This improvement was an absolute necessity.

The most important sanitary improvement is the erection of incinerators. Progress on this work has been slow because the Sanitary authorities have from time to time altered the design of incinerators. Incinerators erected last year on the model recommended by a previous Sanitary Commissioner and approved by Sanitary Board proved unsatisfactory and were condemned by the present Sanitary Commissioner. The Sanitary Engineer has now given us another design and our incinerators are being remodelled accordingly.

The septic tanks that formed part of the Kinsi Sewage farm have been choked with debris from the hill side. The Sanitary Commissioner ordered that the debris was to be removed. It is estimated that this will cost Rs. 6,000 and there is no guarantee that the next monsoon will not block them again. The construction of these tanks appears to leave much to be desired, and the matter has been referred to the Sanitary Engineer.

A sum of Rs. 2,000 was provided to add a room to the present Municipal Office. The Municipal office is small and does not provide sufficient accommodation. This office is situated in the compound of the Commissioner's Office and was originally occupied by the Executive Engineer, Parai and Bhabar Government Estates. When the Municipal Cottage near the Secretariat was acquired by Government, the Municipal Board was given the use of this office on condition that they maintain it in repair but the building does not belong to the Municipality and additions cannot be made without the sanction of Government. The Municipal Board ought to have a building of their own in their own grounds and the present arrangement is undoubtedly a makeshift. On full consideration of these facts the Board decided that it was useless to approach the Commissioner for sanction to extend the building now occupied by the Municipal Office and accordingly the project was abandoned.

In the previous year the Local Government made a grant of Rs. 53,000 for the improvement and fencing of roads half of this sum was expended in the previous year and the balance has almost been spent in the current year though completion reports have not yet been received from the District Engineer. The majority of roads have been neatly fenced and 'pinkies' have been removed and replaced by masonry drains along the hill side. The surface of the roads has been greatly improved. The grant has been spent to great advantage by the District Engineer and the public undoubtedly appreciate the improvement of our roads which are now in very good order throughout the station.

The Municipal Primary School has outgrown its building and the Board intended to build a branch school. Numerous inspections and suggestions were made but the Board has not been able to find a site for this building and the project has been abandoned.

Water Works.

13. Appended to this report is a note by the Superintendent, Water Works. On the whole the water supply was well maintained and there were few interruptions during the year.

Appendix D shows that the estimated consumption of water has increased from 326 lacs in 1918-19 to 333 lacs in the year under report. These figures are obtained by calculating the number of revolutions made by each engine multiplied by the amount of water that each engine is warranted to pump. The rainfall last year was heavier than in 1918 and as the population and length of season remain constant, it is hard to believe that the station actually used this extra quantity of water. Possibly an error has crept into the calculations or what is more probable, the engines no longer perform the duty which they are reputed to do. The machinery was inspected by the representative of Messrs. Worthington Simpson Ltd. and the Superintendent reports that the more important repairs have been executed. The stock of spare parts is small but it seems unnecessary to purchase a number of expensive parts because it is hoped that our present machinery will be scrapped in the near future.

Maintenance charges amounted to Rs. 49,765 compared with Rs. 52,548 in the previous year. Our coal bill was Rs. 25,178 compared with Rs. 29,808 in 1918-19. This apparent saving is unreal. On 1st April 1919 we had 142 tons of coal in stock. Whereas on 1st April 1920 our stock was reduced to 24 tons. The cash value of the difference being approximately Rs. 4,200. The cost of coal delivered at our water works rose from Rs. 36/8/2 (1918-19) to Rs. 37/1/9 (1919-20). The quality of water supplied was on the whole good. Bacteriological analysis were made locally by Major Hayes, R. A. M. C. The chlorine plant installed at the Water Works was not used during the year.

The deficit on the water works is Rs 21,904. Receipts cover maintenance charges, and repayments on account of loans are defrayed from general revenues.

The season at Naini Tal lasts for seven months, and in that period the Board has to levy their taxation. The introduction of electric power will effect economy in our water supply and for that reason the Board have postponed the consideration of the problem to raising our rates to wipe out this deficit.

Health and Sanitation.

14. General health has been good throughout the year. Isolated cases of small pox, relapsing fever and measles occurred among the lower classes, and a mild form of influenza caused some illness during the winter. There was no necessity to put in motion the operations that had been outlined by the influenza Committee, but medicine was distributed free. The death rate of the year was 20.3 per mille and 45 children are reported to have died under one year of age. A midwife, who was engaged on 17th May 1918 resigned on 5th August 1919. She was not a great success. In spite of advertisement and enquiry we have not been able to find a suitable successor.

15. The settlement was inspected by Major C. L. Dunn I.M.S., in June 1919.

(1) He advocated the formation of an Improvement Trust to remodel and rebuild the bazars. The Board have asked Government to apply the Act.

(2) He recommended that our water supply be sterilized with chlorine for certain definite periods. There is a chlorine plant at the water works that is used if the water is polluted. The Board are, however, averse to chlorinization as a matter of routine and consider that our water supply is so good that sterilization is only necessary when analysis detects some impurity. Correspondence is proceeding.

(3) He urges the extension of the system of sewers to the Bazars and adjacent houses in the civil station. The Sanitary Engineer has been consulted and his advice is awaited.

(4) The sewage farm requires improvement. The Sanitary Engineer has been consulted.

(5) He suggested a better type of incinerator and that all refuse must be burnt. Our present incinerators conform to the design furnished by the Sanitary Commissioner. Four incinerators have been remodelled as suggested and we propose to deal with the rest, if these alterations are successful.

(6) Provision of a burning ghat near Naini Tal. The location is the difficulty and so far we have not found a suitable site.

16. Major Dunn's proposals involve an enormous expenditure that is altogether beyond our present means. These proposals would doubtless improve the health and amenities of the town but our urgent need is for more accommodation. Our last Health Officer condemned 30 per cent of the bazar houses as unfit for human habitation and every Indian visitor complains of the difficulty of getting healthy accommodation. The bazars cannot be moved or expended and the only possible remedy seems to be demolition and rebuilding on a scientific plan.

The Board trusts that Government will be pleased to apply the Act and constitute an Improvement Trust and are convinced that therein lies the only remedy for the present congestion and unhealthiness.

During the year, 3465 vaccinations were performed of which 99 per cent of primary and 65 per cent of secondary are reported to have been successful. The cost of vaccination was Rs. 653.

The Health Officer Dr. Dalal was transferred on 26th May 1919 and was succeeded by Dr. Photographer D. P. H. A second sanitary inspector was employed from 25th April 1919.

Hydo-Electric Scheme.

17. A project estimated to cost Rs. 11,39,639 has been prepared by the Sanitary Engineer and finally sanctioned by the Local Government.

Construction is to be started without delay. The Local Government has promised a grant of three lakhs, and the Board will take a loan of the balance.

The Ballia stream is to be harnessed. The scheme provides for road lighting and the electrification of the water works in addition to power for private requirements and for the Ropeway.

Veterinary Hospital,

18. A veterinary dispensary with stables attached was opened at Malli Tal from 1st May 1919 and was closed at the end of the season. 52 in-patients and 261 out-patients were treated during this period. The fees charged were very low and produced an income of Rs. 467. Expenditure amounted to Rs. 1,935. Medicines and Staff cost Rs. 945. Furniture and instruments Rs. 468 and Rs. 522 were spent on improving the building. The dispensary has proved a great success and P. Pate Ram Kala the Veterinary Assistant in charge, is to be congratulated on his good work. The scale of fees has been raised for the current year and it is anticipated that the dispensary will shortly be self supporting.

Roads.

19. The rainfall of 1919 was heavy and was measured as 123.72". Consequently much damage was done to our roads. There were 4 heavy falls, namely June 17th 6.4"; August 27th 4.4"; September 4th 6.3" and September 6th 7.4".

The District Engineer reports that the system of surface drainage worked well but serious damage occurred in several drains. On 17th June 1919 a surface drain in Talli Tal was blocked and flooded the premises of Messrs. Sham Lal & Son. A claim for damages was lodged against the Board, who after careful enquiry settled the matter by a payment of Rs. 2,00. Considerable damage was done to revetment walls on the roads and to hillsides and boundary walls of private houses. Repairs have been delayed owing to shortage of labour but are now nearly complete.

9. Roads on Ayarpatta and 2 on Sherkadanda were barrelled and improved. These improvements were debited to the special grant of Rs. 53,000 made last year by Government. The Local Government has accepted responsibility for the cost of damages caused by the monsoon and for work required to protect the hill sides. On this account Rs. 33,486 were received during the year. The ordinary maintenance of all roads cost the Board Rs. 19,211 during the year, that is, an increase of Rs. 1,920 due to the higher cost of labour and an endeavour to maintain our roads in better order.

Education.

20. The Board maintains one primary school for boys at Malli Tal and makes grants in aid to one preparatory school for boys at Talli Tal and three preparatory schools for girls. A Hindu Girl School has been converted into a Government Model School and disappears from Appendix B. The staff of the Municipal Boys School has been strengthened, and the scale of pay improved.

The proposal to provide a better building for the boys school has been abandoned because a site could not be found. Rooms have been hired in Malli Tal bazaar to accommodate the overflow. An Education Committee has been formed and Rai Sahib L. Jai Lal Sah has taken great interest in education.

Markets.

21. The Board owns a fine meat and vegetable market at Malli Tal and a number of shops and bakeries. An annual auction had hitherto been held to settle the prices payable for the season. This system gave good financial results but caused jealousy among the lessees and gave insecurity of tenure. The Board considered the matter and decided to fix reasonable rents and give the lessee the option of renewal from year to year provided that he conducts his business properly and pays his rent punctually. It is hoped that this change will secure a better class of tradesman and tend to check the upward tendency of prices. Rents obtained under this system in March 1920 are less by Rs. 1,499 than the previous year. During the year a number of applications were received to build shops and the Board considered a suggestion to build a row of shops outside the Malli Tal market. This scheme was eventually abandoned for various reasons. The fact remains that the demand for shops greatly exceeds the supply with the result that tradesmen have to pay exorbitant rents. This is possibly one reason why prices ranged so high during last season.

Assembly Rooms.

22. Annexed to this report is a statement of the accounts of the Assembly Rooms of which the Board is Trustee. Interest on the 7 percent debentures was paid for the year 1918 but interest for 1919 is in arrears.

The Station Library owes the Fund Rs. 900 on account of rent. A sum of Rs. 1,932 was spent on special repairs. The actual income of the year was Rs. 3,666 against an expenditure of Rs. 5,827 with the result that the year closed with a deficit of Rs. 698. The fabric is in very bad repair and is not an ornament to the Flats but the incubus of Rs. 30,000 debentures on the building cripples the Board. Holders of debentures have not done badly in the past and must now realise that money must now be spent on maintenance even if payment of interest is deferred.

Rule and Byelaws.

23. The schedule of tolls was revised and came into effect on 1st May 1920. Difficulties had arisen in levying toll on motor vehicles and the Board came to the conclusion that motor traffic was being penalised by the levy of proportionately high rates. In consequence a revision of the rules regarding assessment and collections of tolls was necessary. The scope of composition has been widened by a resolution of the Board. The schedule of exemption had been gradually growing longer and after much discussion the Board decided to grant no further exemptions but to invite applicants to compound for the payment of tolls.

Byelaws for the regulation of cattle sheds and dairies and prohibiting the residence of prostitutes have been passed and byelaws for licensing of jhampanies have been revised. Regulations under section 297 (1) regarding delegation of powers etc. have been completed. Building byelaws have been drafted and are now before the Board. If our system of sewers is further enlarged byelaws under section 298 (B) will be necessary.

Nazul.

24. The Government share was paid in full. The register of the Civil Station has not yet been revised, because the plan has been found to be inaccurate. A few boundary pillars have been repaired.

Audit of Accounts

25 The accounts for the year 1918-19 were audited between 26th June 1919 and 31st July 1919. The audit note was received on 10th November 1919 and considered at a meeting of the Board on 31st January 1920. The accounts were described as satisfactory and all but 8 objections were removed. Municipal property has been carefully verified during the year. The audit took place at a most inconvenient time and threw the office into arrears which they were unable to overtake during the season.

Prosecutions.

26. During the year the police instituted 48 prosecutions of which 39 were successful. 45 cases were instituted by the Board of which all but one resulted in conviction. There were 20 prosecutions under the Adulteration of Food and Drugs Act of which 19 ended in conviction. Fines under this Act amounted to Rs. 565. The majority were against vendors of milk, who were proved by analysis to have added a large percentage of water. The price of milk has risen from 6 to 4 seer to the rupee in the past year and the supply is not plentiful. The poorer classess cannot afford to buy milk. Prosecution is necessary in flagrant cases but if the Board are too strict the supply of milk will be still further decreased and the public will only be able to obtain it at prohibitive prices.

Census.

27. The local census taken on 29th June 1919 gave a population of 16,548 compared with 16,201 in the previous year. No census was taken in December. The Board consider that this census is waste of time and money and are applying to Government to rescind the by-laws under which it is held.

Isolation Hospital.

28. The hospital for infectious diseases was maintained at Manora with a Sub Assistant Surgeon in charge. This man is paid by the District Board. The number of patients admitted was 106 namely, 60 Relapsing Fever, 47 Small Pox, 2 Chicken Pox, 1 Cholera and 1 *without* diagnosis. No fees are charged and patients are admitted from Bhim Tal and other surrounding villages.

Collecions of Taxes.

29. Arrears amounted to Rs. 11,328 under the following heads.

House Tax (Item 3)	Rs. 1,226
Water Tax (item 7)	.. .. 763
Conservancy (item 9)	.. .. 3,500
Rents (item 16)	.. .. 810
Markets (item 21 (a))	.. .. 332
Sale of water (item 23) (1)	.. .. 3,776
Rent of meters item 23 (2)	.. .. 921

Collection in Naini Tal is not easy for two reasons:—

(1) The population departs at the end of the season and unless taxes are collected with great promptitude it is hard to realise anything until the next season

(2) The population is constantly changing with the result that the office has to answer a large number of queries before taxes are paid. The audit during the height of the season threw the office into arrears and that is one reason why collections were not better. The Secretary should also have applied for coercive processes earlier. On the other hand the Secretary reports that there are no bills of any importance outstanding against the municipality and that all claims have been paid.

Forests.

30. The revenue of the year was Rs. 593 compared with Rs. 908 in the previous year. This figure does not include the value of 188 trees which were used in the Water Works and which may be valued at Rs. 605. In addition 64 trees were supplied to the P. W. D. No change has been made in management and Mr Lovegroves working plan has been followed as far as possible.

The scheme started in the previous year to thin out trees was continued 98 trees were felled on Municipal land and 397 on private estates. There are still 500 trees that have been marked and have still to be cut. The Divisional Forest Officer selected a number of female poplar trees to be felled. The Board are indebted to Mr. Clifford, Divisional Forest Officer for his assistance.

During the year 98 cattle were impounded. 12 breaches of Forest Law were either convicted or compounded Rs. 90 were received on this account.

Work of the Board.

31. Appendix A does not give a fair idea of the work done by the Board. Mr. Muirhead, the Vice-chairman has been regular in attendance, has looked after the water works and street lighting and has relieved me of a large amount of work. Other members notably Mr. Busher, Rai Sahib L. Jai Lall Sah and Sheikh Abdul Quiyum have attended regularly and performed many onerous duties outside the committee. The conduct of business has throughout the year been characterised by good temper and a spirit of compromise and if disagreements have arisen on any point the Board has loyally carried out the decision of the majority. I have much pleasure in bringing to your notice the good work done by the gentlemen specially named and by the Board in general.

Staff.

32. B Abinashi Lall has been confirmed as Secretary in which capacity he has acted since the departure of Mr. Perks. He has worked hard and tactfully and with more experience should make a competent secretary. The office staff have performed a hard year's work and been handicapped by illness and absence.

Acknowledgment.

33. The Board are indebted for advice and assistance of the Hon'ble Col. Mactaggart, Major Hayes, and Mr. M. W. Clifford, and more specially to Messrs. Amore and Edgar and takes this opportunity to record its gratitude.

I have the honour to be

Sir,

Your most obedient servant

C. A. MUMFORD,

*Deputy Commissioner, and Chairman,
M. B. Naini Tal G. S. G.,*

Enclosures.

1. Copy of special resolution Nos. 18 and 19 of a meeting of the Municipal Board of Naini Tal, held on the 30th April 1920.
2. Statement in form A.
3. „ „ B.
4. Appendix A.
5. Appendix B.
6. Appendix C.
7. Appendix D.
8. Appendix E
9. A brief report on the working of the Naini Tal Water-Works.
10. Sanitary Report.
11. Abstract of the Assembly Rooms Account.

A. L. SAH,
Secretary.

C. A. MUMFORD, I. C. S.
Chairman.

Copy of special resolution No. 18 of a meeting of the Municipal Board of Naini Tal, held on the 30th April 1920.

The statements and appendices to accompany the Annual Administration Report for the year ended 1919-1920. To be considered and passed.

Considered and passed.

Copy of special resolution No. 19 of a meeting of the Municipal Board of Naini Tal, held on the 30th April 1920.

Sanitary Report for the year ended 31st March 1920. To be considered and passed.

Considered and passed.

A. L. SAH,
Secretary.

C. A. MUMFORD, I. C. S.
Chairman.

Form A

Annual Statement of Income and Expenditure

For the year 1919—1920.

Population 16,788

Number of Item	Heads of income	Actuals of the previous year 1918-19	Budget Estimate of current year 1919-20	Actuals for the current year. 1919-20
		3	4	5
1	By Balance in Hand at Close of Last year.	Rs. a. p. 72,435	Rs. a. p. 97,980	Rs. a. p. 97,980
	MUNICIPAL RATES AND TAXES —			
3	Tax on the annual value of buildings and lands ...	44,080	40,000	42,067
4	Tax on animals and vehicles—			
	(a) tax on boats ...	264	261	261
	(c) tax on animals used for riding, driving etc. ...	2,092	1,900	2,000
6	Tolls (on roads and ferries) ...	46,905	40,000	45,550
7	Water tax ...	32,470	30,000	30,888
9	Conservancy (including scavenging and latrine taxes Lake frontage tax ...	38,806	30,000	29,456
10 (a)	... 707	707	707	707
11	Total rates and taxes ...	1,65,324	1,42,868	1,50,929
	Realizations under special Acts—			
12	From pounds ...	58	55	68
14	From licences for the sale of spirits and drugs ...	142	160	185
14 (a)	From other sources† "Grass" ...	149	180	131
15	Total ...	349	345	384
	Revenue derived from Municipal property & powers apart from taxation—			
16	Rents of lands, houses, sarais (rest houses), dak bungalows, etc. ...	10,086	10,900	11,722
17	Sale proceeds of lands and produce of lands, etc. ...	908	600	593
18	Conservancy receipts (other than taxes and rates) ...	78	50	17
19	Fees and revenue from educational institutions ...	124	40	47
20	Fees and revenue from medical institutions ...	...	510	467
21 (a)	Markets ...	4,494	5,500	5,701
21 (b)	Slaughter-houses ...	5,846	5,500	5,758
23	Sale of water—			
	(1) Sale proceeds of water ...	11,738	12,000	11,314
	(2) Rent of meters ...	1,466	1,000	1,387
	3) Other items ...	1,843	9,000	3,286
23 (a)	Copying fees ...	62	80	78
23 (c)	Registration fees for Jhampanies ...	167	110	108
23 (d)	License fees on dandies and meat ...	443	530	518
23 (e)	Registration fee for dogs ...	1,341	1,340	1,380
24	Fines under Municipal and other Acts ...	1,141	1,000	1,287
	Interest of investments.			
28	Premium on loans ...	400	926	926
29	Total ...	40,137	49,086	48,589
	Carried over ...	2,05,810	1,92,299	1,99,902

*To be specified in detail, e. g. tax on circumstances and property, pilgrim tax etc., in as many columns as may be necessary.

†Judicial fines under special Acts should be credited under "Fines" (column 24)

48589
926
47663

Number of item	Heads of income	Actuals of the previous year 1918-19	Budget Estimate of current year 1919-20	Actuals for the current year 1919-20
1	2	3	4	5
		Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
	Brought forward ...	2,05,810	1,92,299	1,94,902
	Grants and contributions (for general and special purposes)-			
	<i>From Government</i>			
30	For general purposes ...	63,973	30,052	39,438
	<i>From other sources</i>			
	...	2,500	...	7,300
36	For general purposes ...			
39	Total ...	66,473	30,052	46,738
	Miscellaneous—			
40	Recoveries on account of services rendered to private individuals ...	3,194	1,874	1,814
41	Other items ...	10,778	8,069	8,103
41 (a)	Projection fees ...	510	400	995
41 (b)	Sale of salt ...	4,006	...	...
42	Total ...	18,488	10,343	10,912
43	Total income of year excluding opening balance.	2,90,771	2,32,694	2,57,552
48	Advances—Permanent ...	1,045	1,000	1,000
50	Deposit ...	15,059	...	...
51	Total ...	16,104	1,000	1,000
*52	Total receipts excluding opening balance.	3,06,875	2,33,694	2,58,552
+53	Total receipts including opening balance.	3,79,310	3,31,674	3,56,532
54	Incidence of taxation (column 11) per head of population.	9-13-7	8-8-2	8-15-1
55	Incidence of income (column 43) per head of population.	17-5-1	13-13-9	15-15-6

*Should show the totals of columns 43 and 51

† " " " " " and 52

Number of item.	Heads of expenditure.	Actuals of the previous year 1918-19	Budget Estimate of current year 1919-20	Actuals for current year. 1919-20
1	2	3	4	5
	General administration and collection charges	Rs. a p.	Rs. a p.	Rs. a p.
1	General administration (office establishment, inspection, honorary magistrates' establishment etc.) ...	8,441	9,650	9,414
2	Collection of taxes including bonded ware-houses (establishment, purchase of account books and paper, money-boxes, repairs to outposts, etc.) ...	1,044	1,220	1,188
3	Collection of tolls on roads and ferries ...	4,897	6,792	5,795
4	Survey of land ...	112	50	32
5	Refunds (other than octroi) ...	231	200	107
	Total ...	14,725	17,912	16,536
	Public safety—			
9	Lighting (establishment, purchase of lamps, oil, repairs, etc.) ...	11,098	10,000	9,142
	Total ...	11,098	10,000	9,142
	Public health and convenience—			
12	Water supply { Capital outlay ...	8,618	1,950	1,249
13	Water supply { Establishment, repairs etc. ...	52,548	54,285	49,765
14	Water supply { Capital outlay ...	8,895	1,864	12,178
15	Water supply { Establishment, repairs etc. ...	9,955	10,000	9,654
16	Conservancy—			
	(a) Subordinate establishment ...	25,910	30,781	30,768
	(b) Cost and feed of livestock ...	528	840	829
	(c) Plant and contingencies ...	2,221	2,500	2,318
17	Charges on account of Health officers and sanitary inspectors ...	4,915	6,100	5,776
18	Hospitals and dispensaries ...	5,579	8,714	7,455
20	Vaccination ...	418	653	653
21	Other sanitary requirements ...	1,322	29,686	11,517
22	Markets and slaughter-houses ...	3,447	3,110	2,355
23	Ponds ...	32	51	46
24	Dak bungalows and sarais ...	95	200	55
25	Arboriculture, public gardens and experimental cultivation ...	374	482	446
26	Veterinary charges ...	4,621	2,171	1,935
28	Public works { Establishment ...	3,069	4,679	4,572
29	Public works { Buildings ...	1,205	4,481	1,208
30	Public works { Roads ...	40,938	64,875	63,414
31	Public works { Stores ...	620	1,691	1,691
	Total ...	1,75,310	2,29,063	2,07,884
	Public Instruction—			
32	Schools and Colleges ...	2,095	2,241	2,096
32 (a)	Construction and repair of school buildings ...	39	2,657	244
33	Contributions ...	172	172	172
35	Total ...	2,306	5,070	2,512
	Carried over ...	2,03,439	2,62,045	2,36,074

*Contributions should be classified according to the object for which they are made, e. g., for schools under public instruction, etc. Contributions, not made for any particular purpose or for a purpose for which no separate head is provided, should be charged under this head.

Number of item.	Heads expenditure	Actuals of the previous year 1918-19	Budget Estimate of current year 1919-20	Actuals for the current year. 1919-20
1	2	3	4	5
		s. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
	Brought forward	2,03,439	2,62,045	2,36,074
26	Contributions-- For general purposes	2,117	2,117	2,117
	Miscellaneous--			
38	Interest of loans—Interest due on account of current year	9,214	8,627	8,558
40	Actual cost of work done for private individuals	2,224	1,143	1,143
41	Printing charges	2,086	3,000	3,000
41 (b)	Provident fund	1,165	886	885
41 (c)	Government share of nazul proceeds	412	289	288
41 (d)	Rents	1,359	2,675	2,641
41 (f)	Miscellaneous	4,490	7,238	7,238
41 (g)	Municipal dairy at Takula	213	...	...
41 (h)	Salt	2,664	...	...
42	Total	23,927	23,855	23,753
43	Total Expenditure—	2,29,483	2,88,020	2,61,944
	Extraordinary and debt—			
47	Re-payment of loans	16,146	16,733	16,802
48	Advances— permanent	1,045	1,000	1,000
50	Deposits	19,597	...	...
51	Total	36,788	17,733	17,802
*52	Total Disbursements	2,66,271	3,05,753	2,79,746
	BALANCE—			
53	Deposits	15,059	...	...
54	Actual balances	97,980	25,921	76,786
55	Total	1,13,039	25,921	76,786
†56	Grand Total	3,79,310	3,31,674	3,56,532
57	Invested funds	...	...	...
58	Permanent advance	1,045	1,000	1,000

*Should show the total of items 43 and 51.

† " " " " " " 52 and 55.

Dated the 27th April 1920

A. L. SAH
Signature of Secretary

C. A. MUMFORD, I. C. S.
Signature of Chairman.

Dated the 8th April 1920.

Certified that the undrawn balance at the credit of the Naini Tal Municipal Board in the Naini Tal Treasury on the 31st March 1920 was Rs. 83690/2/4 (Rs. Eighty three thousand six hundred and eighty, annas two and pies four only.)

J. S. EYTON I. C. S.
Treasury Officer.

Notes—Outstanding on uncashed cheques at the close of the year was Rs. 7777 Receipts for 31st March 1920 credited on 1-4-1920 Rs. 833. (vide G. O. No. 1825/XI, 10H dated 1st November 1919)

Form B

MUNICIPALITY OF NAINI TAL.

Statement of expenditure on Original Works during the year 1919—20

Number.	Nature of work.	Total estimated cost.	Amount expended in previous year.	Amount allotted in the year of report.	Amount expended during the year of report.	Remarks.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	Collection of Tolls.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
1	Toll bar at Tonggheys ...	500	...	500	...	Postponed.
2	Additions and alterations to the Durgapur Toll bar ...	417	...	417	...	Estimate under revision.
	Water supply Capital Outlay.					
3	Bridge over Bara Nala at the water works ...	4,108	3,000	1,102	1,102	Completed.
4	Protection of springs by barbed wire fence and fixing lock to cisterns ...	300	94	148	147	"
5	Removing the Endcliffe reservoir to water flushed latrine Malli Tal ...	1,018	...	700		In progress.
	Drainage Capital Outlay.					
6	Special repairs to damage done to the Cheena drains by the Monsoon of 1919 ...	11,050	...	...	11,050	Contribution was made to P. W. D. (Government grant) work in progress.
7	Special repairs to bazar drains 1919-20 ...	2,254	369	1,864	1,128	
	Hospital and Dispensaries.					
8	Retaining wall on the foot path to Manora Hospital ...	53	...	53	51	Completed.
9	Water connection to Manora Hospital ...	2,181	...	2,181	1,650	In progress.
	Other Sanitary requirements.					
10	Urgent sanitary works ...	500	...	500	197	In progress.
11	Water connection for flushing the Talli Tal Urinal ...	70	...	70	69	Completed.
12	Special repairs to rubbish carts ...	250	...	250	...	In progress.
13	Two conservancy carts ...	900	...	900	1	"
14	Enlarging the tank for washing Durries at Dhobighat (Ballia) ...	336	...	336	323	Completed.
15	Cleaning of the tanks at Runsi Sewage farm ...	6,000	...	6,000	82	In progress.
16	Incinerators and Dustbins ...	16,225	...	16,225	8,777	"
17	Lake cleaning near Temple-ghat and railings in front of sweepers quarters ...	250	...	250	126	Completed.
18	Cowsheds at Talli Tal ...	2,716	375	2,341	1,942	"
19	Band Stand ...	2,814	...	2,814	...	In progress money kindly contributed by Capt. Corbett I. A. R. O.
	Markets and slaughter houses.					
20	Wire gauze doors and windows to the Bakery block at Malli Tal Market ...	378	...	378	398	Completed.
21	Special repairs to beef market ...	1,112	...	1,112	543	In progress.

Form B.—(Continued.)

Number.	Nature of work.	Total estimated cost.	Amount expended in previous year.	Amount allotted in the year of report.	Amount expended during the year of report.	Remarks.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	Veterinary charges.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
22	Erection of a screen wall to veterinary assistants quarters, a wash out place etc. ...	398	...	398	300	Completed.
23	Improvements in the stable of the Veterinary Hospital ...	225	...	225	222	"
	Buildings.					
24	Addition of a room to the Municipal Office building ...	2,000	...	2,000	...	Postponed.
25	Special repairs to Rampur Sarai ...	500	...	500	...	"
	Roads.					
26	Repairing the Monsoon damages of 1919 at the head of 1880 slip on the Middle Cheena mall ...	22,436	...	15,600	22,436	Contribution made to the P. W. D. work is nearing completion.
27	Special repairs to Cheena drainage system ...	8,500	...	8,500	...	This work has since been covered by work entered as item 6 above under drainage capital outlay.
28	Widening culvert opposite the Hotel Metropole ...	80	...	80	80	Contribution made to P. W. D. Work in progress.
29	Special repairs to the road leading to Sepoy Dhara from the cart road ...	165	...	165	...	In progress.
30	Fencing and general improvements to roads ...	53,300	25,176	27,824	27,824	Contribution made to P. W. D. Work in progress.
31	White washing road-side posts ...	706	...	706	706	"
	Construction and repair of school building.					
32	Extensions to the Municipal Primary school building ...	2,155	...	2,155	...	Postponed.
33	Wire fencing to Municipal Primary school compound ...	125	...	125	87	Completed.
	Total Rs. ...	1,43,722	29,014	96,419	79,241	

A. L. SAH,
Secretary.

C. A. MUMFORD I. C. S.,
Chairman.

Appendix A.

Statements showing the constitution of the board for the Municipality of Naini Tal during the year ending 31st March 1920.

Naini Tal	Name of District.		Name of municipality.		Population within municipal limits.	PARTICULARS AS TO CHAIRMAN.				NUMBER OF MEMBERS OF BOARD.								Remarks.
	1	2	3	4		6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	
66		Serial number of municipality.	Name of municipality.	Act under which constituted.		Elected non-official.	Elected official.	Nominated non-official.	Nominated official.	Ex-officio.	Nominated.	Elected.	Total.	Officials.	Non-officials.	Europeans.	Indians.	
Naini Tal																		
Act II of 1916																		
Govt. census of 1911																		
16788 Summer																		
9579 Winter																		
...																		
...																		
...																		
Nominated official																		
2																		
3																		
6																		
11																		
2																		
9																		
6																		
5																		
18																		
2																		
1																		
36																		
53																		
54																		
Joint Magistrate transferred 26th October 1919. Seat vacant till 27th March 1920. Doctor Pandya resigned 2nd July 1919. Seat vacant till 12th November 1919.																		

A. L. SAH

Secretary,

C. A. MUMFORD I.C.S.

Chairman.

Appendix B.

Statement showing the expenditure on and the condition of all schools maintained from or aided by the municipal fund Naini Tal for the year ending 31st March 1920

1	2	Number of schools or training classes.						Expenditure from municipal funds								17
		3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	
		In English schools.	In training classes.	In vernacular middle classes.	In upper primary classes of vernacular schools.	In lower primary classes of vernacular schools.	In other special schools.	Cost of teachers.	Contingencies etc.	Inspection.	Scholarships.	Contributions to district board.	Grants-in-aid.	Total recurring expenditure.	Buildings and occasional repairs.	
Intra-municipal schools managed by municipal or district board.																
Primary schools (Municipal Primary school) ...	1	.....			28	94		† 1171	125			172		1468	244	† Includes pay of a chaukidar at Rs. 7/- per month and allowance on account of dearness of food to the staff.
Total ...	1	.....			28	94		1171	125			172		1468	244	
Intra-municipal colleges and schools aided by municipal board.																
Preparatory schools...	1	.....				81							300	300		
Total ...	1	.....				81							300	300		
Total, boys' education	2	.....			28	175		1171	125			172	300	1768	244	
Girls, schools aided by municipal board.																
Primary schools ...	3	.....				149							500	500		Arya Samaj Girls school Talli Tal 27 Mislon Girls school Mali Tal 42 Mission Girls school Talli Tal 80
Total girls' schools	3	.....				149							500	500		Total 149
Scholar-ship for painting																
Total expenditure from municipal funds								1171	125			172	800	2268	244	

NOTE.—In the case of vernacular middle classes boys who have appeared in the Vernacular Final Examination should be shown.

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C. A. MUMFORD I.O.S.
Chairman

Appendix C.

Showing expenditure on water works and sewerage and drainage works in the Naini Tal Municipality for 1919/20

Water works.				Sewerage and drainage works.			
Nature of charges.	Budget allotment.	Amount of expenditure.	Total	Nature of charges.	Budget allotment.	Amount of expenditure.	Total
1.—Establishment—							
(a) Permanent establishment ...		11,270					
(b) Office contingencies ...		335	11,605	2.—Construction—			
2.—Pumping—				(a) Sewers ...	6,000	82	
(a) Coal ...		25,178		(b) Surface drains ...	1,864	12,178	12,260
(b) Oil and waste ...		181		3.—Repairs—			
(c) Other stores ...		1,244	26,603	(b) Surface drains ...	10,000	9,654	9,654
4.—Settling tanks and filters—							
(b) Clearing and renewing filter beds ...		171	171				
5.—Distribution—							
(a) Pipes and fittings ...		4,976					
(b) Meters ...		517	5,493				
6.—Repairs—							
(a) To Tanks ...		236					
(b) To buildings and grounds ...		744					
(c) To machinery ...		4,066					
(d) To tools and plant ...		223	5,269				
7.—Water analysis		624	624				
Total ...	54,285	49,765	49,765	Total ...	17,864	21,914	21,914

A. L. SAH
Secretary

C. A. MUMFORD I. C. S.
Chairman

Appendix D

WATER WORKS.
STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS DURING THE YEAR 1919-20

<i>Population.</i>									
By census of 1911 in municipality	...	...	...	...	...	...	16,788
Ditto cantonment	...	...	...	...	...	...	1,239
						Total.	18,027		
<i>Cost of works.</i>									
Initial capital cost	...	...	...	...	...	Ra. ...	2,47,000
Cost of extentions and improvements to end of previous year	...	...	...	...	...	" ...	4,20,577
Ditto ditto during year	...	...	...	...	...	" ...	1,249
						Total cost of works	6,68,826		
<i>Consumption of Main spring water</i>									
During year including cantonment	...	...	...	...	...	Gallons ..	3,88,23,102
(a) Daily average Ditto	...	...	...	...	...	" ...	1,37,852 (a)
Maximum daily average in any one month	...	...	...	...	...	" ...	71,07,075
Daily average for cantonment alone	...	...	...	...	...	" ...	3,630
Average number of hours spring water pumped daily	...	...	...	...	...	" ...	1,175
<i>Annual charges and receipt's</i>									
Maintenance charges	...	...	...	...	...	Ra. ...	49,765
Total charges with interest and payment of loan	{				Maintenance charges	...	49765	{	72,779
					Interest and repayment	...	23014		
<i>Income from water works</i>									
Water-tax recovered during year	...	...	...	...	...	" ...	30,888
Sale of water and other receipts	...	...	...	...	...	" ...	19,987
						Total income	50,875		
<i>Number of house connection at end of year.</i>									
For purely domestic purpose	...	...	...	...	...	...	232
For other purposes	...	...	...	...	...	...	18
						Total	250		
(b) Number of connections with meters...	...	...	...	...	...	...	246 (b)
(a) Based on 278 Pumping days in the year.							...		
(b) The water was not applied for and hence the meters were not fixed back at 25 connections.							Superintendent Water works		

A. L. SAE

A. HODGEN,
Superintendent
Water Works

C. A. MUMFORD I. C. S.

Chairman

Nainital Municipality.

APPENDIX E.

Statement of expenditure from non-recurring grants and loans for 1919-20.

Particulars of loan or grant (authority, purpose and amount.)	Amount taken up to the end of last year.	Amount received during the year under report.	Total.	Expenditure up to the end of last year.	Expenditure in the year under report.	Total	Balance of amount taken up to date left unexpended.	Remarks.
Fencing roads from Rookwood to Woodstock and from St. George to Braemar Sherkadanda roads Ayarpatta roads Sherkadanda Fencing Ayarpatta Fencing ...								
Fees for making necessary surveys for estimate of general improvements G. O. No. 2869/XI-163-1915 dated 16th November 1918 ...	53,000	...	53,000	25,176	27,824	53,000		
Construction of nine incinerators and nine dustbins for the disposal of refuse and rubbish from houses and Bazaars in the municipality Board of Public Health No. 369/B.P.H.S.A. dated the 4th March 1919 ...	5,620	230	5,850	...	5,850	5,850		
Special repairs to damage done to the China drains by the monsoon of 1919 G.O.No. 1533/1261W dated 19th March 1920 ...	...	11,050	11,050	...	11,050	11,050		
Repairing the monsoon damages of 1919 at the head of 1880 slip in the middle China wall (G. O. No. 227/XI 163 1915 dated 8th February 1920) ...	...	22,436	22,436	...	22,436	22,436		
Total ...	58,620	33,716	92,336	25,176	67,160	92,336		The 2261 refunded by the P. W. D. in March 1919 on account of 24 percent establishment. tools and plants charges have been transferred to meet portion of the estimated cost of incinerators.

A. L. SAH
SecretaryC. A. MUNFORD L.C.S.
Chairman,
Municipal Board

A brief report on the working of the Naini Tal Water Works during the year ended March 31st 1920 by the Superintendent Water Works Mr. A. Hodgen.

I beg to submit my report on the working of the Water Works for the year ending 31st March 1920.

1. The boilers have worked well and are in good condition, they have been passed by the Boiler Inspector.

The engines are in fair working order all the repairs recommended by the Inspector of machinery have been effected in the main engines. The economiser is beyond repair. I am running the plant without the economiser. If the Sanitary Engineer thinks it necessary a new one may be installed.

The Auxiliary engines have been put into working order and the changes of parts recommended by the Inspector of machinery will be effected when the spare parts ordered from his firm are to hand. The equilibrium valves have been received, but the coupling bolts for the ungers were not sent with the valves

The firms attention has been drawn to the omission, and on receipt of the bolts the work will be completed

2. The High Speed engines and Chlorine plant are in working order and will be used should there be a shortage of water and the Baranadi springs have to be used.

The Spring at " Spring Cottage " and Lake View" have been in use all the year and saved coal.

3. All the collecting reservoirs have been cleaned out in March, June, and September, and the small stand posts once a month during the season

The High level springs are also cleaned out once a month.

(4) The fixing of the Endcliffe tank near the Malli Tal latrine is in hand. It is for flushing this latrine.

(5) The fencing of the High level spring is in good order. Samples of the water are taken once a month by the Health Officer and are tested locally.

(6) The grounds have been kept in a Sanitary condition.

The ferro concrete slabbing of the Bara Nadi is in good condition.

The ferro concrete bridge has been completed.

As regards a dumping ground for the ashes, a wall may be erected on the side of the Bara Nadi west of the Spring house which would enclose a good bit of ground for the purpose.

(7) The intermediate pipe line worked well.

(8) The Lake Engine plant is in working order.

I am returning to the charge about the Kilberry Spring being connected up. The Municipality are losing a lot of money in not doing this; being a gravitation supply it would pay whether electricity was introduced or not; as there is no recurring expenditure and the additional amount of water obtained is all profit.

In conclusion I would request the Chirman and the Board to consider the increase of pay of all the men of my staff as they are very dissatisfied with their present rates of pay owing to the dearness of living.

A. HODGEN,

Superintendent,

Water Works.

Sanitary Report of the Municipality of Naini Tal for the year ending 31st March, 1920.

[One Copy to be transmitted direct to the Sanitary Commissioner on or before the 30th April)

QUESTIONS.	ANSWERS.
1. State (1) the total annual income excluding the opening balance, (2) the opening balance, (3) the receipts from conservancy and (4) the expenditure on conservancy during the year	(1) Rs 2,57,553, (2) Rs. 97,980 (3) Rs. 29,473, (4) Rs. 33,915
2. State briefly the chief sanitary defects, the remedial measures adopted and new projects under contemplation, ...	2. Disposal of refuse is very unsatisfactory. Part of the rubbish of the bazars are incinerated, but major portion is thrown in the khud out-side the inhabited localities except kitchen refuse, all the rubbish litters cow dungs &c. of the bungalows, out houses and stables &c. are buried near the dustbins of the respective bungalows. Majority of the houses in the bazar areas are insanitary. Latrines are in a disgraceful state. Majority of the outhouses of the bungalows are insanitary. Drainage of the bazars are defective Sullage water from the kitchens, sinks etc. must be connected with under ground sewers Defective water supply Remedial measures adopted:— Erection of a few incinerators of the New design recommended by Sanitary authorities is in hand. If experience proves these are a success the erection of more will be considered. Sanitary Engineer's advice has been sought as to drainage and sewage, and his proposals are awaited
3. State briefly the sanitary works executed or in progress during the year including (A) Sewage and drainage.	3. (A) Attempt was made during the year to clean the septic tanks. (1) Only one viz., Lake House (Y. M. C. A. Premises, executed, Waverley Hotel in progress. (2) Special repairs to bazar drains.
(1) Number of house connections for sullage and sewage	(B) Springs protected by barbed wire fence and proper locking of reservoirs Three new house connections during the year. Piped water supply to Manora Epidemic Hospital in progress.
(2) Improvements to sewage or drainage	(C) Water connection for flushing Talli Tal public urinal.
(B) Improvements to water supply with the number of new house connections	(D) Nil.
(C) Improvements to conservancy namely number of public and private water borne latrines	(E) (1) Reinforced cement concrete Bridge to water-works Engine House—completed (2) Enlarging the tank for washing Durries at Ballia—completed. (3) Construction of sanitary cowsheds Talli Tal—completed. (4) Providing wire gauze doors and windows to bakeries—completed. (5) Lake cleaning near Temple Ghats. (6) Construction of New-designed incinerators and dustbins—in progress.
(D) Improvements to site and	
(E) Any other improvements that may have been effected	

ANSWERS.

4. How the refuse and night-soil are removed and disposed of ?
- (a) The places appointed under section 273. ...
- (b) The number and pattern of public latrine seats for males and females in working order ...
- (c) The number and pattern of urinals and dust bins ...
- (d) The number and pattern of private latrines in use and ...
- (e) Total number of cesspits; approximate amount of sullage per day and number of carts used for removal ...
5. State the number of notices issued under sections 186, 192, 211, 245, 267, 268, 269, 276, 278 and 284 and the number complied with under each section.
6. State if byelaws have been made under the following heads of section 298 A, B, C, D, E (c), F, G, I, and J (a), (b), (d)
7. State the number of cases prosecuted under the Adulteration of Food and Drugs Act and the result.
8. Give a brief report on the—
- (a) General health of people.
- (b) Particularly of any outbreak of epidemic disease during the year with date of commencement and termination the methods adopted to control the epidemic, and arrangements for isolation of infectious cases. ...
- (c) The number of children born and the number of deaths under one year of age from 1st January to 31st December, and ...
- (d) The areas which record the highest death rates ...
4. Refuse is partly carted away and partly incinerated but mostly buried in the compounds. Night soil is carried to pail depots in closed buckets and ultimately disposed of at Runsi where a sullage farm is in existence though not in working order.
- (a) There are eight pail depots where night soil is brought for disposal. There are fifteen incinerators where rubbish is burnt. In the bazaars shopkeepers are ordered to keep receptacles for the temporary deposit of refuse, near their shops.
- (b) 78 male seats water flushed.
35 „ „ gumla type.
22 Female „ water flushed.
8 „ „ gumla type.
- (c) Dustbins are of the ordinary open masonry type. The urinals are of no special type but consist of foot rests on tiled floor. There is only one flushing urinal. All the existing urinals are proposed to be made of the water flushed pattern.
- (d) 806 private latrines of the kadamcha pattern. A few are of the Hornbury type.
- (e) Almost every latrine and kitchen of the bungalows have a catchpit for receiving their sullage. This pit is emptied by buckets and carried to the pail depot. The amount is not calculated.
5. 210 under section 267 (1) and others are nil. Most of them have been complied with, but inspection in order to ascertain some of them has not been completed, as the period of notice does not expire up to date.
6. None during the year. Previously made are under A, E(c) F, G, I, J(a) and (b) Rules framed under section 153 as regards (d).
7. 62 samples of milk, atta, oil etc., were sent for analysis to the Public Analyst Lucknow during 1919. 25 samples were adulterated. 20 prosecutions were lodged. Out of which only one was acquitted. The fines varied from Rs. 5 to 75. The total amount recovered was Rs. 536.
- 8.
- (a) The general health of the people was good. Small pox, Chicken pox, Relapsing fever, Influenza and measles had occurred during the year. The persons suffering from the diseases were of the coolie class. The mortality was 268 as compared to 283 in the year previous.
- (b) A mild type of Influenza was prevalent during the month of January to March. Again Influenza appeared from October and continued till the end of the year, in a mild form. Free medicines were offered to the patients suffering from Influenza.
- (c) 291 births were registered during the year 1919. The number of deaths registered under one year was 45 equivalent to a mortality of 154 per thousand births.
- (d) The two bazars Malli Tal and Talli Tal.

NOTE.—Byelaws under section 298 (2) I (a) and (b) for the regulation of cattle sheds and dairies were passed during the year (para 6 above)

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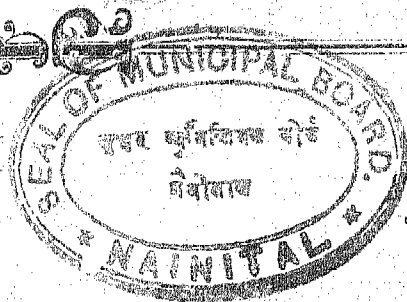
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Abstract of the Assembly Rooms Account for the year ending 31st March 1920.

Receipts	Amount	Total	Expenditure	Amount	Total	Remarks
By balance in hand on 1st April 1919		1,463	Pay of establishment ...	556		
By hire of rooms and furniture	291		Interest on debentures for the calendar year 1918 ...	2,100		
By rent from Messrs Orde and Miles (Cinema)	1,276		Annual repairs ...	650		
By rent of rooms Ayarpatta wing from R. and K. Railway	400		Fire policy ...	471		
By rent of rooms Sherkadanda wing from the Revd. Yates (Soldiers tea room)	200		Advertisement "To let" ...	69		
By rent of lower central hall for cinema shows from Messrs. Orde and Miles	200		Construction of the Eastern verandah ...	1,932		
By rent of rooms Sherka-danda wing from Raja M. Madho Lal 1st half for season 1920	200		Miscellaneous ...	49	5,827	
By rent of library from 1st June 1917 to 31st December 1918	900					
By cost of damages to the theatrical hall from Mr. G. D. Bevan	37					
By sale of wood of the dismantled Eastern verandah	162	3,666				
Total Rs		5,129				
Balance on 31st March 1920 (deficit)		698				
		5,827				

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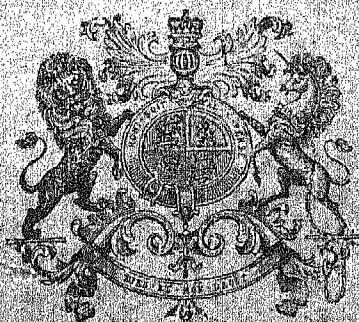
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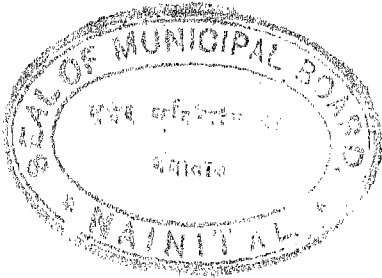
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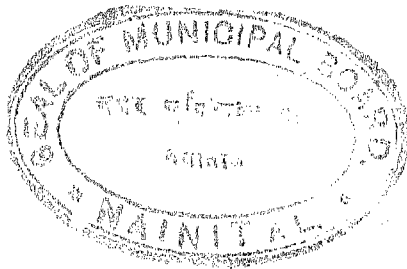
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27th September 1918. His death was announced at the Board's meeting of 8th October 1918 and the seat was kept vacant until the 1st April 1919, the date on which the reconstituted Board was to come into being. The remaining four, viz. Mr. Muirhead, Lala Chandra Lal Sah, Rai Sahib Jai Lal Sah, Vakil, and Lala Govin Lal Sah continued throughout,

During the year the constitution of the Board was altered so as to increase the number of elected members from 5 to 6 in order to provide for the adequate representation of "Tenants" in the Civil Station. The number of appointed members, however, continued at 5. Annual elections were held in September 1918. There was no keenness shown as in the previous year. Mr. J. R. Muirhead and Lala Chandra Lal Sah, Rais, were returned unopposed for the class of "Proprietors", and Lala Govin Lal for the "General Electorate". In the class of "Petty-holders" Lala Keshi Sah Bazar Chaudhri was returned for the vacant seat occasioned by Lala Chandra Lal Vakil's death. For the second seat in this class Rai Sahib Jai Lal Sah, Vakil, and his adversary who had both been nominated both withdrew. Fresh nominations had to be called for this seat as also for the class of "Tenants" for which nominations had previously been received, and Rai Sahib Jai Lal Sah and Mr. E. C. LeMaistre respectively were returned.

ATTENDANCE

3. There were 17 meetings of the Board during the year as against 14 in the year previous. The provisions of section 86 (1) of the United Provinces Municipalities Act were complied with except in one case when the February meeting falling on a gazetted holiday (28th February) had to be postponed to March 1st. Two proved abortive for want of a quorum and 3 were adjourned meetings. The Vice-Chairman, Mr. Muirhead, and Rai Jai Lal Sahib attended all meetings. The attendance figures are as follows:-

Appointed members	{	Mr. C. W. Grant, I. C. S., Chairman	...	12 meetings
		Mr. W. C. Dible, I. C. S., "	...	1 meeting
		Mr. W. C. Dible, I. C. S., Joint Magistrate	...	6 meetings
		Mr. K. G. Harper, I. C. S., "	...	1 meeting
		Mr. S. Edgar, District Engineer	...	5 "
		Dr. D. D. Panday, D. P. H. Deputy Sanitary Commissioner	Nil	"
		Mr. R. C. Bushar, M. A.	...	12 "
Representatives of proprietors.	{	M. Faqirullah Khan	...	7 "
		Mr. J. R. Muirhead, Vice-Chairman	...	17 "
		Lala Chandra Lal Sah, Rais,	...	6 "
		Rai Jai Lal Sah Sahib, Vakil	...	17 "
		Lala Chandra Lal, B. A. L L B. (died 27th September 1918)	...	3 "
Representative of General Electorate	{	Lala Govin Lal Sah	...	10 "

COMMITTEES.

4. The following Committees met during the year.

	Times
(1) Public Works with District Engineer as Chairman. ...	12
(2) Public Health with Deputy Sanitary Commissioner as Chairman	8
(3) Finance with Deputy Commissioner as Chairman ...	9
(4) Toll and Taxes with Deputy Commissioner as Chairman ...	8

Mr. Muirhead again attended all the meetings of the Public Works Committee and presided in the absence of the Chairman of that Committee at 6 meetings.

Mr. Grant, I. C. S. presided at all the meetings of the Finance and of the Toll and Taxes Committees.

Rai Jai Lal Sah Sahib attended all of the former and all but one of the latter.

The meetings of the Public Health Committee were attended as below :—

	meetings
Dr. D. D. Pandya, D. P. H., Deputy Sanitary Commissioner.	2
Mr. W. C. Dible, I. C. S.,	2
Mr. R. C. Busher, M. A.,	4
Lala Chandra Lal Sah, Rais,	5
Lala Govin Lal Sah.	6
Rai Jai Lal Sah Sahib	8

Regulations in regard to delegations of powers to the Committees and to individual members of the staff etc., have already been submitted to you. Those not requiring higher sanction have been framed.

ESTABLISHMENT.

5. An additional hand had to be given for records and in the latter half of the year one had to be added to the accounts branch. B. Abinashi Lal continued as S. P. T. Secretary. Dr. M. R. Dalal, D. P. H. continued as Health Officer during the year and has now gained experience of the peculiarities of the station. During his one month's absence on privilege leave the Sanitary Inspector for a few days and then Dr. Bala Datt Pande, Civil Assistant Surgeon of Crosthwaite Hospital, officiated.

B. Bishambhar Dayal, Overseer, has gained experience and is under the guidance of the District Engineer as President of the Board's Public Works Committee. The Board have approached Government to be allowed to pay a monthly honorarium to the District Engineer.

Certain Toll Mubarrirs had been too long at one Chauki, and were transferred elsewhere. The change brought in better collections. About the close of the year the forest establishment had a busy time of it in connection with the general thinning out (tree felling) scheme.

GENERAL FINANCIAL POSITION.

6. The minimum closing balance of Rs. 25,921/- had temporarily to be reduced to Rs. 18,777/-. This was to meet the unforeseen demand by the Public Works Department of 24% charges for Establishment and Tools plant on contribution works carried out through their agency and to meet the cost of special repairs (monsoon damages) to roads.

The year opened with balances as follows :—

Balance of unspent Government grants ...	Rs.	10,047
„ „ „ grants from other sources ...	„	613
Revenue ...	„	42,178
		Total Rs 52,838

It closes with :—

Balance of unspent Government grants ...	Rs.	33,444
Unspent balance of Government grant for special repairs to drain No. 56 below Reserve Police Lines refunded by the P. W. D. ...	„	2,261
Revenue ...	„	62,275
		Total Rs 97,980

Receipts were :—

Revenue ...	Rs	2,22,037
Government Grant recurring ...	„	5,000
Do special ...	„	58,620
Government Contribution towards the pay of Sanitary Inspector ...	„	353
District Board Contribution towards the cost of building a Veterinary Hospital ...	„	2,500
Refund by P. W. D. unspent Grant Govt. Grant ...	„	2,261
		Total Rs 2,90,771

Expenditure :—

From Revenue ...	Rs	2,95,090
„ Grants ...	„	40,539
		Total Rs 2,45,629

There has therefore been a further satisfactory increase of Revenue receipts which for the year under report are better by Rs 37,894 than in the year 1917-18. These figures, however, include certain abnormal receipts as compared to the year previous and which should be excluded for purposes of a fair comparison. These are :—

(a) Rent recovered for " Rolaston House " by sub-lease (House origi-

nally rented for Band but not occupied by it)	Rs 1,100
(b) Money advanced by Allahabad Bank for certain improvements on their premises (P. W. D estimate)	... Rs 1,572
(c) Refunds made by the P. W. D. (under rule 16 of India's letter 1764A. dated 1st November 1918) on account of the 24% Establishment, Tools and Plant charges on works in progress on 9th February 1918	... Rs 5,755
(d) Sale of Salt	... Rs 4,006
(e) Projection fees recovered for the first time during the year	Rs 510
Total	Rs 12,943

Striking off the abnormal receipts of Rs 12,943 it would appear there has been an increase of Rs 24,951 on the normal receipts as compared to the year 1917-18, and of Rs 29,150 if compared to the year previous (1916-17). This should be considered a very good working of the year and a further considerable improvement in the financial position.

The assessments of taxes for the year under report were confirmed by the Board in July meeting in good time for collections. All necessary rules have been framed or recast.

7. Apart from grants the income last year was Rs 1,84,143 and during the year under report it rose to Rs 2,22,037. The chief losses and gains are as follows :—

Budget Head		Losses	Gains
Balance Sheet			
12	Tax on the annual value of buildings		
3	and lands	...	2,662
13(c)	Tax on animals	...	204
4 (c)			
15	Tolls	...	10,013
6			
16	Water Tax	...	2,362
7			
18	Conservancy Taxes	...	5,627
9			
25	Rents of lands, houses, sarais etc.	...	1,494
16			
26	Sale proceeds of lands and produce		
17	of lands etc.	56	...
28	Fees and Revenue from educational		
19	institutions	...	61
30(a)	Markets	447	...
21 (a)			
30(b)	Slaughter houses	...	608
21(b)			
32(1)	Sale proceeds of water	...	2,852
23 (1)			
32(2)	Rent of meters	...	166
23 (2)			

Budget Head		Losses	Gains
Balance Sheet			
32(3)	Sale of water—other items	545	...
23(3)			
32(c)	Registration fees		
23(c)	"Jhampanis"	325	...
32(d)	License fees		
23(d)	"Dandies etc."	78	...
32(e)	Registration fees		
23(e)	"Dogs"	...	147
34	Fines under Municipal and other acts	...	531
24			
37	Premium on loans	105	...
28			
49	Recoveries on account of services rendered		
40	to private individuals	...	1,561
50	Miscellaneous other items	...	8,867
41			
41 (a)	Projection fees— Nil last year.	...	510

Brief explanations of the variations are given below:—

- 12 The figure includes arrears of the previous year amounting
13 to Rs 2,344. The year under report carried forward an
arrears of Rs 166/ only of which Rs 52/- have since been
recovered.
- 13 (c) Improved receipts are due to better supervision and
4 (c) greater vigilance on the part of Tax Inspector.
- 15 The figure includes Rs 1,449/- arrears of previous year
6 recovered from the Naini Tal Motor Transport Company
after a civil suit had been filed for recovery. Knocking off
this sum the nett increase of Rs 8564/- is attributed to
better motor traffic and the transfer which close supervision
necessitated of toll muharrirs that had been too long at
one barrier.
- 16 Includes arrears from the previous year amounting to
7 Rs 1,417. The year carried forward only Rs 72/- to the
next. Of this Rs 39/- have since been recovered.
- 18 Increase is due to better collections.
9
- 25 Increase in due to sub-lease of Rolaston House, rented
16 for the Band but not occupied by them.
- 26 The decrease is due to lesser sale of forest produce (brush-
17 wood etc.) on account of the general tree felling scheme.
- 28 The increase is due to increased number of fee paying
19 students in the Municipal Primary School consequent on
the adding of an Upper Primary class last year. The
previous year's figures gave fee income for only 9 months of
that year.
- 30(a) Vegetables and Fruit shops in the bazaars previously
21 (a) licensed, could no longer be licensed. More grew up and the

Budget Head
Balance Sheet

municipal market Malli Tal lost some of its prominence. The wholesale market yielded 400/- less than in the year previous as a private new market, which was stopped subsequently, had been started. This accounts for the decrease.

30(b) The increase is due to better supervision and increased
21(b) slaughters.

32(1) The increase is due to larger consumption of water at
23(1) " Brook Hill " and else where and comparatively small amount of rain.

32(2) Arrears of previous year collected during the year are
23(2) responsible for the increase.

32(3) During the year lesser stores or apparatus from the water
23(3) works were sold or hired to theatrical companies for electric lighting.

32(c) The decrease is due to non-registration of Jhampanies in
23(c) private employ under Government orders and to the smaller number of other (faltu) Jhampanis in the station.

32(d) The decrease is due to the abolition of licenses for milk.
23(d)

32(e) The increase is due to better supervision.
23(e)

34 The increase is mainly due to heavier fines, under the U.P.
24 Foods and Drugs Adulteration Act, for sales of adulterated milk.

37 The decrease is due to failure of instalment repayable for a
28 loan advanced to carry out protective works at " Glenlee " Action was taken and a portion was recovered in April 1919 and the balance is promised in May.

49 The increase is chiefly due to the advance of Rs 1,572/-
40 made by the Allahabad Bank for certain improvements to the site of the Bank carried out by the P. W. D.

50 The increase is due mainly to the refunds made about the
41 close of the year by the P. W. D. on account of 24% Establishment and Tools and Plant charges recovered by them on works that were in progress on 9th February 1918. Improvements under coolie commission and sale of empty kerosine oil tins and boxes are also partially responsible.

41(a) The items of Rs 510/- represents the collection of fees for projections over streets and drains effected about the close of the year for the first time.

EXPENDITURE.

8. The increase under "General Administration (office establishment)," "collection of Taxes", "collection of Tolls", and "conservancy subordinate establishment" is mainly due to grain compensation allowance on account of dear-ness of food stuffs, and to the addition of establishment that was absolutely necessary.

For the increase under "water supply establishment repairs etc." (item 13) the greater cost of coal landed at the Engine House and the larger amount of coal consumption due to increased pumping are responsible. Rs. 2,176/- worth bricks were purchased. The increase under "Lighting" is due to rise in the price of oil and other lighting accessories also to foresight in stocking a little more than the actual requirements for the year against a bad future year.

The increase under "Drainage Establishment repairs etc." is attributable to the 24% charges paid to P. W. D for establishment and Tools and Plant.

The increase under "Cost and feed of live stock" is due to the purchase of a new pair of bullocks for cartage of refuse and cinders from incinerators, and its up-keep.

The increase under "Hospitals and dispensaries" is due to an item of Rs. 240/- on account of allowance to the Police Sub-assistant surgeon for the year having been cut out from "General Administration" and debited to this head, to the entertainment of a midwife to attend maternity cases, and to the entertainment for a short time of a special sanitary inspector to combat cholera.

The increase under "Markets and slaughter houses" is due to the completion of the Bakery godown, and quarters for Bakers' servants.

The item under "Veterinary charges" represents cost of erection of a building to serve as Veterinary Hospital.

The increase under "Roads" is due to general improvements to some of the roads in the station carried out through the P. W.D. agency for which Government kindly gave a grant and to the construction of a new approach road to Kaladhungi Cemetery, and to the fencing of the precincts of the graveyard for poor Indian Christians at Seria Tal.

The increase under "Public works stores" was due to taking in of certain articles at favourable prices against an apprehended increased future market.

The increase under "Schools and colleges" is due to the annual grant to the Municipal Aided Primary school at Talli Tal having been raised from Rs. 200/- to Rs. 300/- during the year, and to the grain compensation allowance for dearness of food stuffs paid to the Municipal Primary School staff at Malli Tal.

The increase under "Printing charges" is due to the obtaining of new forms under the new Municipal Account Code, and to the higher rate paid for the publication of the committees' and Board's proceedings in the local paper.

The increase under "Government share of Nazul proceeds" is due to prepayment of the share in advance. Previously it used to be paid on actual collections at the close of the year. The item includes arrears of previous year and the demand for the year under report.

Nazul registers for bazaar areas have been compiled. Acknowledgments of Government right in 7 cases have been obtained. Other cases will be treated similarly. The work was hampered by an owner claiming a plot as his own which the Municipal Secretary disputed. Plots outside the bazaars have not been properly surveyed as reported in my predecessor's no. 155 of 7th April 1919 to your address. However, 4 owners have applied for leases for plots adjoining their estates which have been proved Nazul.

The increase under "Rents" is due to the rent paid for Rolaston House which, however, was not occupied by the Band for insufficient accommodation, vide corresponding item $\frac{25}{16}$ on the "Income" side.

The increase under "Other items miscellaneous" is due to the large deficit the Board had to meet to balance the receipts for Band against the maintenance charges. The item under "Salt" represents the cost of salt purchased and carted up for sale to the public. In the year previous the expenditure was merged in item 40 "Work done for private individuals" as there was then no separate budget head.

The increase under "Dairy" is due to more clearing of land and of sowing grass and chari in connection with the Takula Dairy scheme, since abandoned.

The increase under "Repayment of loans" is explained as follows:-

The instalment of principal increases every year as the instalment of interest decreases yearly.

The decrease under "Survey of land" is owing to there being no survey operations as in the year previous.

The decrease under "Refunds" is due to more correct collections and smaller number of applications made in consequence.

The decrease under "Water supply capital outlay" is for absence of major works during the year under report. In the year previous renewal of boilers and engines parts alone cost Rs. 11438/- and the water works intermediate pipe line scheme bills to the extent of about 7000/- were paid.

The decrease under "Drainage capital outlay" is due to absence of such major works as were carried out in the year previous (e. g. protective works on Fairy Hall drain, drain no. 56 below Reserve Police Lines etc.

The decrease under "Conservancy plants and contingencies" is due to smaller repairs to conservancy buckets.

The decrease under "Vaccination" is mainly due to the payment in the previous year of accounts for calf lymph for that year and the year previous.

The decrease under " Other Sanitary improvements " is explained by the fact that in the previous year some incinerators erected in the year preceeding were paid for in that year.

The decrease under " Dak bungalows and serais " represents saving due to abolition of serai and parao establishment on their being farmed out from 1st April 1918.

The decrease under " Public works " is explained as below. The Bakery godown debited last year under " P. W. Buildings " had to be transferred to the correct head " Markets and slaughter Houses. "

The decrease under " Interest due on account of current year " has already been explained.

The decrease under " Actual cost of work done for private individuals " is explained by the fact that in the year previous the cost of salt purchased for sale to the public was debited to this head in the absence of a separate head. A new head has since been opened under instructions from the Examiner, Local Fund Accounts.

The total expenditure exclusive of payments towards the repayment of loans (Rs 15,987) was Rs 2,29,642 as against Rs. 2,20,935 in the previous year, or an excess of Rs. 8707.

The cash balance of Rs. 62,275 at the close of the year is made up of :-

Unexpended Government contributions for works	Rs. 33,444
do do refunded by the P. W. D.	„ 2,261
Works in progress	„ 4,889
Actual closing balance	„ 57,886

This shows a satisfactory improvement over last year's figures when the actual closing balance was Rs. 34,776.

GOVERNMENT GRANTS.

9. Non-recurring. These are detailed in appendix E. Government generously gave a grant of Rs. 53,000/- for improvement to roads in the station, and about the close of the year the Board of Public Health made a contribution of Rs. 5620/- to meet half the cost of certain incinerators and dustbins contemplated to be erected under the suggestions of the Deputy Sanitary Commissioner contained in his inspection report of the municipality.

The recurring grant for general sanitary purposes is Rs. 5,000/-. The contribution towards the pay of the trained sanitary inspector received during the year was Rs 353/-.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

10. The District Board of Naini Tal contributed Rs. 2500/- towards meeting a portion of the cost of the establishment of a Veterinary Hospital in Naini Tal.

ORIGINAL WORKS.

11. These are detailed in Form B. The chief items requiring a note are the following :—

(2) Water works improvement scheme. This important work, contemplated to reduce the cost of pumping, was completed at the beginning of the year. The excess expenditure over the Government grant of Rs 38,517/- viz. Rs 1085/- was met from Municipal revenue and by transfers of savings from other grants.

(4) Reinforced concrete bridge to the water works engine house. The wooden and masonry bridge gave way about the close of the year. Under the advice of the District Engineer a substantial bridge of reinforced concrete is proposed to be constructed through the P. W. D. agency. The District Engineer reports the bridge should be ready in six weeks time.

(5) Protection of higher level springs by barbed wire fencing and fixing locks to water cisterns. This was recommended by the Deputy Sanitary Commissioner. Cheena and Forest springs have been protected and all cisterns have been provided with locks.

(6) Special repairs, and construction of drains vide form B. This work was important and part was completed during the year through the Public Works Department.

(9) Improvement to drain in front of Messrs. Jehangir & Co's. premises (houses Nos. 251 to 253) in Malli Tal bazaar. This drain was under ground and insanitary. The work has been completed since the close of the year.

(10) Scraping main sewer. A further small length was scraped during the winter. There were three blockages during the year in the sewer, apparently due to faulty gratings in some hotels. These were successfully treated by the overseer.

(13) The number of cowsheds in Talli Tal bazaar was not sufficient. Four additional cow-houses were taken in hand and are nearing completion.

(20) Reconstruction of bakery godowns and erection of quarters for bakers' servants. The godowns attached to the bakery buildings at the Municipal Market were in a dilapidated condition. The servants of the bakers used to sleep in the godowns which was undesirable. The work was taken in hand in the year previous and finally completed during the year.

(21) and (22) A veterinary hospital was a much felt need of the station. The building which also provides quarters for the veterinary assistant was completed during the year. Certain necessary adjuncts to the quarters have since been completed. The hospital opened in April.

(23) Construction of an oil godown. As no one came forward to undertake the contract for supply of kerosine oil for street lighting throughout the year oil had to be stocked and the storage shed or godown had to be built.

(24) Special repairs to Municipal roads—Such of the previous year's monsoon damages as could not be repaired by the P. W. D. during that year were repaired during the year.

(25) New approach road to Kaladhungi cemetery. The access to the European cemetery below Kaladhungi gorge was through a flight of steps. This road obviated the difficulty.

(26) Special repairs to the upper reaches of the Ayarpatta roads. As the general improvement to the roads in the station is in hand by the P. W. D. this item was not taken up separately.

(27) Fencing the Indian Christian Cemetery at Sukhatal. A plot of land was allotted for the graveyard of poorer Indian Christians in a previous year. The plot was fenced in at Municipal cost.

(28) & (30) These two items represent works necessitated by the monsoon damages to the following Municipal roads and retaining walls.

- (1) East Laggon road near the Flat.
- (2) South Mall.
- (3) Colvin Road.

Details are given in the Annual Report of the District Engineer on the Hill Slopes round Naini Tal for the year 1918. The small amount of rain-fall during the year resulted in comparatively little damage.

(29) To improve the amenities of the station concrete posts-which otherwise were an eyesore-were whitewashed. This will be an annual recurring charge.

(31) to (36) Improvements to roads in the station-This important work is in hand by the P. W. D. out of the Government grant of Rs 53,000/-.

(37) The Municipal Primary school building at Malli Tal, which it has been decided to make a free institution, does not provide sufficient accommodation as Primary classes have also been added to it. Additions to the building were proposed but the estimate needed revision from an architectural point of view. The matter is being reconsidered by the school committee, the Health Officer and the District Engineer.

(38) and (39) The works were carried out in accordance with the working plan for Municipal Forests.

WATER WORKS.

12. The income from water works was Rs 47,517 as against 42,683 in the year 1917-18. Comparative figures for the 3 years are:—

	1916-17	1917-18	1918-19
Water tax	29,140	30,108	32,470
Sale of water	13,296	8,886	11,738
Rent of meters	237	1,301	1,466
Other items	1,731	2,388	1,843
Total Rs.	44,404	42,683	47,517

Bills for water supply were at the begining of the year issued monthly in accordance with the requirements of section 230 (2) of the U. P. Municipalities Act, 1916. There was a general feeling of discontent to this system as the majority of the residents that receive their supply through house connections reside for not more than seven months in the station and the system taxed their pockets heavier than it equitably should have. The old system of sending bills when the quantity of water covered by the water tax paid had been exceeded was then reverted to. Government was approached for sanction to the old system, but has pointed out that the system cannot be legislated for under existing law. The Board has to reconsider the matter and decide whether $7/12$ or $1/6$ of water tax assessed on a building be not deducted from the monthly charges on account of water supplied in making out bills instead of $1/12$ required by the Act.

Against the above income the maintenance charges were as follows:—

	1916-17	1917-18	1918-19
Rs.	40,892	40,866	52,548

The greatly increased cost of coal, railway freight and carting charges on the one hand and the comparatively small amount of rainfall during the year added to this the purchase of bricks worth 2176/- are responsible for this large increase in expenditure which exceeds the receipts for the year by Rs. 5031. Some 3150 maunds of wood valued at Rs. 1379/- from Municipal forests and roadsides were supplied during the year to supplement the coal.

The above figures show that the water works is not paying its own way and spends Rs. 6,410/- more than the revenue.

The waterworks improvement scheme (intermediate pipe line system) which on completion was expected to effect a saving of about Rs. 5,000 a year in coal did not fulfill the hopes. The Superintendent Water works at the Board's meeting on 22nd April 1919 attributed the failure to the pump chamber of engine No. 1 having burst early in the season.

In the year previous due to a well distributed and plentiful rain the receipts were better by Rs. 1817/- over the maintenance expenditure. But taking into account the annual repayment of loan and interest the deficit made good by the Board was Rs. 21,197/-. There was no serious difficulty in obtaining coal as in the year previous. Under existing arrangements money for freight on coal has to be paid in advance to the suppliers Messrs. Bird & Co. This prepayment is not considered very satisfactory as it has been difficult to trace whether the prepaid freight has not been over paid. The member for waterworks, Mr. J. R. Muirhead, has taken up the matter.

The consumption of potable water has been much higher than that in the previous two years, and a little higher than what it was in 1915-16

Figures are given below:—

	1915-16	1916-17	1917-18	1918-19
In gallons { Consumption of potable water	31765762	26583815	22781866	32628102
{ Daily average	87029	72832	62443	89392

The excess consumption is partly due to a free supply of water to the Gurkha barracks for a few months in the year when the recruits under the D. A. R. O. occupied the barracks. The boilers were refitted and renewed and have all been passed by the Boiler Inspector.

The pump chamber that burst in Engine No. 1 was replaced. Repairs recommended by the Machinery Inspector were carried out. The Superintendent's report shows that a complete overhaul of the economiser is needed.

The Jewel Filter has been sold to the Haldwani notified area at the valuation of the Sanitary Engineer viz. Rs. 6,500/-. The money has not been received yet. With the approval of the Sanitary Engineer, Mr. Hodgen, the Superintendent, is allowed to make inspections of the Haldwani water works. The notified area has offered to give him an honorarium for the work.

As desired by the Deputy Sanitary Commissioner in his annual inspection report on the Municipality the higher level springs have been protected by barbed wire fencing. The spring near Talli Tal bazaar (commonly known as Kapuli-ka-dhara) is now used for bathing purposes only. All the collecting reservoirs were cleaned out in the winter, also in March last. Standposts and service tanks have also been cleaned by men trained under the Health Officer for the purpose. Taps have been provided to springs and under instructions of the Sanitary Commissioner samples of water are now drawn by the Health Officer once a month or oftner when necessary. Local analyses of water samples are carried out by Major Hayes R. A. M. C. All water cisterns have now been provided with locks.

Water from Sipahi dhara springs was twice analysed. The first sample showed contamination. The second one taken in March was good. The Hindus on religious grounds objected to the taking away of Sipahidhara water by means of a pipe line by the Naini Tal Brewery Coy. To avoid any conflict a perennial water spring on a lower level on the hill side down the Rampur Serai and Reserve Police lines has been pointed out to the Brewery Coy. It is presumed they will make a connection from here. The Krishnapur estate has a pipe line of its own. Durgapur was asked whether it would meet the expenditure of connecting and has shewn unwillingness. The Board considers that the cost of connecting houses on the outskirts of the municipality would be excessive.

A purer water supply to Khurpatal, which supplies a large quantity of milk to the station is of vital importance. A spring of water near Seria Tal from which the supply could be given was analysed and found fit for potable purposes. Khurpatal is outside municipal limits, and the matter of giving it a pure supply of water is under consideration by the District Board.

The matter of linking up Kilberry springs must await better times.

Cinders from the engines dumped down the hillside slide into the Baranadi bathing shed below and give rise to complaints from the bathing public. A site on the other side of the engine house has now been pointed out to the Superintendent.

The Superintendent reports that major repairs to boilers and engines were carried out by his staff who also constructed a super-heater. This work has been estimated to have effected a saving of Rs 1400/-,

The hydro-electric scheme was supposed to generate sufficient energy to work the water engines too. If this could be effected the heavy expenditure item of coal could be wiped out. It is understood the scheme is being further revised by the Sanitary Engineer to Government, and is hoped to come out in the not distant future.

Mr. Muirhead continued as member in charge for water works and Mr. Hodgen as Superintendent.

FORESTS.

13. The prescriptions of Mr. Lovegrove's working plan were carried out fairly well. Compartments wanted numbering. Wooden plates defining compartments have been prepared and put on. Excepting compartments nos. 20 and 21 which are open for Babulia villagers and a portion of compartment no. 31 which is open for goats and sheep grazing the rest of the forests are closed to grazing. Grass cutting during the year was prohibited in compartments nos. 1, 2, 9, 25 and 27.

Blanks were sown in compartment no. 26. Compartment no. 29 was sown over and planted with cuttings of Rambans, Bhinia and Populus Cilingta. The revenue from forests during the year was Rs. 908/- (as against Rs. 964/- in the year previous) This includes sale of trees, bajri and other minor produce but excludes cost of wood supplied to the waterworks engines which should be reckoned at another Rs. 788/-. A scheme of thinning out Naini Tal of its superfluous trees was taken in hand during the year. The Sanitary authorities complained principally of the Poplar species as the cotton from its seeds, when floating in the air and inhaled, causes irritation of throat and the nasal mucous membrane. On the other hand, the engineers thought that this was the quick growing specie and any excessive removal of the Poplars from the Sher-ka-danda, where it is abundant than elsewhere, would not be advantageous from the hill side safety view. It was then decided that at least female poplars should be removed. As males can not be distinguished from females the matter of Poplar trees was put off to the flowering season. In the meantime, however, some poplars were hammer-marked for felling. The original marking of trees by the Municipal Ranger in consultation with the Health Officer in the various compounds was considered insufficient and inadequate. The Divisional Forest Officer, Naini Tal, then revised the marking operations. Some 3831 trees were hammer-marked in private compounds

and on Municipal road sides. Out of this the felling of 82 trees standing on dangerous areas was objected to by the District Engineer. 71 were allowed to stand by the special committee appointed to consider applications by objecting owners. Some 2653 in private compounds and on Municipal road sides have by now been felled and 1025 trees remain still to be felled. These will have to stand over until after the close of the season as labour is scarce and any fellings during season would inconvenience the residents and the occupants of houses. Some old residents of Naini Tal did not approve of the thinning out operations while some owners were disinclined to fell as many as they were asked to in a single year as with the abundant yield of fuel and wood owners that in normal years used to make a good profit out of sale of trees could no longer sell at high rates.

29 cases of breaches of Forest Law were compounded for Rs. 35/- and 26 cases were challenged for which fines amounting to Rs. 28/- were realised. These were mostly of illicit grazing and cutting of grass, and one of illicit shooting.

HEALTH AND SANITATION.

14 The general health continued good but owing to outbreaks of cholera and influenza in an epidemic form the mortality increased to 286 from 226 in the previous year.

Combative and preventive measures, which included the securing on loan of the services of a special sanitary inspector from Agra, were adopted and the cholera epidemic which started with the first case on 24th May 1918 was completely arrested and subdued within less than three weeks the last case occurring on the 9th June. There were altogether 11 cases of cholera within municipal limits and 27 in the adjoining villages. The influenza outbreak was too rapid for preventive measures. The first wave of the disease came in August and extended over September. This effected a very large percentage of the population. The second and much lighter wave was felt in December 1918 and January 1919 and only a few people were affected. Of relapsing fever small pox, chicken pox and scarlet fever there were a few isolated cases.

Dr. M. R. Dalal, D. P. H. the Health Officer of the Board has to be congratulated for the energetic and sensible way in which he under the valuable advice of Dr. D. D. Pandya D. P. H., Deputy Sanitary Commissioner dealt with the cases of infectious diseases.

As usual the two bazars recorded the highest death rates. Births were 258 and deaths of children under one year were 51. The infantile mortality was only 197 per thousand as against 249 per thousand in 1917-1918 and 272 per thousand in the year previous.

The Deputy Sanitary Commissioner Dr. D. D. Pandya, D. P. H., a member of the Board made inspections of the Municipality and compiled a valuable report on the sanitary conditions of Naini Tal and made certain recommendations. The main recommendations and the action taken thereon is as follows:-

A. Registration of Births & Deaths

More attention is given to this and the ecclesiastical heads have been supplied with printed post cards to be filled in and sent to the Health Officer. Sweepers are rewarded for reporting Births and Deaths.

B. Water Supply.

This has been dealt with paragraph for water works.

C. Enforcement of byelaws.

Byelaws for dairy buildings and cattle sheds await notification. Byelaws for lodging houses are enforced. Byelaws for the preservation of sweets were framed during the year and have been enforced against much opposition by local halwais. Byelaws regulating aerated water factories are enforced. The building byelaws are expected to be finally completed by the end of this month. As reported in my predecessor's letter No. 155/L. 2 of April 7th 1919 they are being overhauled on the lines of the Mussoorie byelaws by the District Engineer as President of the Public Works Committee of the Board. Byelaws in regard to projections over drains and streets were rigidly enforced for the first time about the close of the year. There was wholesale opposition by the Bazaars to pay fees for projections and warnings under sections 211 of the Municipalities Act alone brought the people round. The fees are now being recovered without much difficulty but are still paid with some demur or grumble which will die out in course of time.

D. Bazaar houses.

The Health Officer made a careful house to house inspection of the bazaars. His report shows that out of 481 houses in the 2 bazaars 156 are wholly or partially unfit for human habitation. This report was considered by the Public Health Committee at their meeting of 10th March 1919 who opined that sites should be selected to build model residential houses for the bazaar public. For Malli Tal the suggested site included the space occupied by pedlars stalls, cowsheds, municipal godown, water-works subordinates quarters, sweepers houses, forest fuel and charcoal depots, fowl houses and bakeries in the market, the cart parao and pony Serais. For Talli Tal the acquirement of Wilsonganj houses, Gurkha barracks, R. & K. Railway agency premises, Fuller's Hall and Fairy Cottage estates was suggested. The slaughter houses and Municipal servants' quarters were also taken in. Obviously the sites are impossible ones. They take in existing Municipal buildings and Military and Railway premises in addition to two private estates. Any lateral extensions in Malli Tal bazaar have been prohibited as inadvisable. As it is at present there is already congestion. Some of the Municipal buildings in that bazaar are certainly in a dilapidated condition but the site on which they stand is required by the Municipality for its own purposes. In Talli Tal, it would be unwise policy to ask the Military and the Railway to give up their premises. The slaughter houses and the Municipal quarters are a necessity and cannot possibly be demolished to make room for the bazaars.

Wilsonganj houses are occupied mostly by labouring classes some of whom were made to vacate their old abodes at Rajpur above the Grand Hotel, in the Civil station, and were given Wilsonganj sites instead. To call on these poor people to give up their sites would be felt as a hardship. The acquirement of these houses and the other two private estates viz. Fuller's Hall and Fair Cottage would mean a large amount of money which the Board have little chance of financing (The Board are about to raise a loan of 3 lacs for the Hydro-electric scheme) My predecessor was of the opinion that for the present the Health Officer and the Overseer will give owners of bazaar houses assistance in advising them how the defects in the existing insanitary houses can be removed, and that the byelaws to prevent overcrowding be enforced in regard to houses considered as unfit for human habitation. One or two owners in the bazaar have already put in applications for improvements suggested by the Health Officer. It is expected others may follow suit. With the little possibilities of available space for extensions in the bazaar areas nothing appreciable can be done at present.

D. Drainage.

Special repairs to the Municipal bazaar drains is nearing completion. Notices have issued in respect of private drains. The drainage of the Taj Mahal Hotel has now been taken up by its owner. The drainage of houses Nos. 251 to 253 Malli Tal as also of houses Nos. 1 to 3 Talli Tal has been improved. Improvements to the Waverley Hotel sullage connection with the main sewer has almost completed and the Y. M. C. A. sullage is shortly to be connected with the main sewer. A short length of the main sewer that needed scraping was done.

The Board at their meeting of 31st March 1919 resolved that the Board of Public Health may be approached for a grant to meet the charges of preparing a scheme of an improved drainage system for the bazaars.

E. Latrines, Urinals.

The Municipal latrines are in proper working order. Sanitary designed latrines and urinals are being insisted on when applications are made by private owners. The Talli Tal public urinal has been converted into one of the water-flushed type and the erection of two more is under contemplation. The private latrine on the Waverley Hotel premises could not be replaced by a water flushed one for want of a sufficient supply of water. Latrine utensils and receptacles are treated as needed.

F. Sewage Farm.

A pathway from the new cart road to the sewage farm has been made. The Assistant Sanitary Engineer made a local inspection of the farm this winter.

G. Incinerators and dustbins.

The erection of 9 more incinerators on approved sites with a roofed dustbin each has been decided upon. The Board of Public Health kindly

gave a grant to meet half the cost and the erection of 5 is now in hand.

Hotels, Boarding houses and schools have been asked to provide roofs to their dustbins.

H. Dairy Farm.

The money spent over Takula village land has been thrown away as the land is no longer available to the Board on lease. Another plot near Seria Tal has been suggested and awaits opinion of the Deputy Sanitary Commissioner. The cantonment dairy started last year proved a failure and has been closed. Cows imported from the plains failed in their yield of milk and were recently sold away by public auction. The pure milk question has been a problem in Nsini Tal.

52 samples of milk, ghee and oil were forwarded to the Public Analyst. 21 persons were convicted for sale of adulterated milk and were fined Rs 340/-. The quality of milk has, however, not improved to any appreciable degree though prices have risen.

I. Bakeries.

Wire guaze has been obtained from Calcutta and will be put on, windows and doors of Municipal Bakeries.

J. Extension of the infectious diseases ward for Europeans at the Ramsay Hospital.

The Sanitary Commissioner has approved of the proposal, which will be executed as a provincial work.

K. Larger tank for washing Durries.

One is now under erection in the Ballia.

L. Burning Ghats and Bathing Ghats.

These will be discussed with the Deputy Sanitary Commissioner when he is next in Naini Tal.

M. Drowning Tank for dogs.

This is considered inhuman. The lethal chamber process has been reported not to have proved satisfactory in Cawnpore Municipality. The practice of treating stray and undesirable dogs with strychnine has therefore been continued.

N. Thinning of trees

This has been dealt with under "Forests".

The removal of encroachments from drains will be taken up this year.

A veterinary Hospital has been opened this year. Animals of poorer people e. g. cultivators will be treated free and a small fee charged from those that can afford.

C. Rainfall and Drainage.

The rainfall during the year was less than the normal, the record standing at 96.47 inches for the financial year as against 137.76 inches during the calendar year 1917. The heaviest rainfall was on July 10th, 7.75 inches being the record for the day. The comparatively small amount of rainfall resulted in correspondingly little damage. The Municipal roads and drains held up very satisfactorily. The small damage that occurred has already been noted in a previous paragraph. The usual maintenance grants by the Board to the P. W. Department for the upkeep of roads and drains aggregating Rs 13,944 were made during the year. Under the recent orders of Government India in the Finance Department the Board had to supplement the grant by another Rs 33.47/- to meet the 24% P. W. D. Establishment and Tools and Plant charges.

The committee to discuss the divided responsibility of the Public Works Department and the Municipal Board did not meet as Government has decided to keep the matter over for the present. Government has however generously given a grant of Rs 53,000/- for improvement of roads, roadside drains and fencing in the station. Several roads have been barrelled by the P. W. D. and other are now in hand. Those already done are in excellent condition and considering the small amount of time Mr. Edgar, the District Engineer, is to be congratulated for the improvements already effected. During the year there were 4 falls of snow, the first on December being 4 inches and the other three in January.

EDUCATION.

15. The Municipal Primary School at Malli Tal has been doing good work, and also the municipal aided Primary School, conducted by Pt. Bhola Datt Vakil at Talli Tal. Municipal grant to the latter was during the year raised from Rs 200/- to Rs 300/- per year. The total recurring cost to the Board on boys' primary education has been Rs 1,467/- as against Rs 1,232/- in the year previous. The total recurring grant to the four Girls' School was the same as in the year previous viz, Rs 800/-. One of these schools (Rai Sahib Pandit Mathura Datt Vakil's) has been converted into a Government Girls' Model School.

Further accommodation is wanted for the Upper Primary boys and estimates are in hand in respect of the Malli Tal School. The Talli Tal aided School continues to be accommodated in Pt. Bhola Datt's building for which he charges a rental of Rs 150/- per year.

Lala Chandra Lal Vakil, the member for Schools who took great interest in education died during the year.

The District Board received the usual annual contribution of Rs. 172/-

MARKETS.

16. The rental demand for the current year for Markets, Shops, etc. settled by auction bids in March 1919, shows an increase of Rs. 2285/- on the figures for 1918-19.

The two principal items contributing to the increase are:-

(a) The open space for wholesale in the Market which fetched Rs 1525/- against Rs 600/- last year. This is attributed to my predecessor's having stopped a private new opposition Market started in that year in the bazaar.

(b) The Upper storey leased to Messrs. Govin & Co. The previous five years' lease on Rs 600/- a year terminated on 31st. March 1919 and a three years, lease has now been given on Rs 1224/- a year with no lights.

The Bareilly butcher introduced last year to break the Butchers' ring was reported to have effected an improvement in the quality of meat. In the beginning of the current year the butchers again attempted to give trouble by refusing to wear badges while hawking meat. They have been tactfully handled and no further trouble is apprehended.

The bakers no longer have difficulties in getting flour. The prices however continue high.

Mr. Muirhead the Vice-Chairman, has much interested himself in the Malli Tal Market and visits it almost every day of the week.

PONY SARAI AND CART PARAOS.

17. A comparison of receipts and expenditure for a few previous years showed that there was a marked fall in income and gradual rise in annual recurring maintenance charges. Against some opposition the Serais and Paraos were farmed out for a year from 1st. April 1918 for Rs. 1375/-. The total receipts for the year 1917-18 were Rs. 1490/- against an establishment charge of Rs. 383/-. This farming resulted in a saving to the Board with no complaints from the public-the fees remaining the same as under Board's direct control and the lessees giving no trouble. For the current year the Serais and Paraos have again been farmed out though for a smaller lease money as with the increase of motor traffic fewer laden ponies and bullock carts are expected to come to the station.

LIGHTING.

18. The expenditure was more by about two thousand and a half. This was due to increased rates for kerosine oil and other accessories as also to stocking a little more than was sufficient for the year. This surplus stock was a great help in the current year as with the present scarcity it would have been necessary to suspend street lighting. Local firms would not contract for the supply of oil and the Board had to import direct from the Sub-depots of the two companies at Haldwani. Barouts there was leakage, and tins from the Asiatic Petroleum Company's depot were mostly leaky. For the second half of the year the public had to pay high prices and did not get as much oil in the bazaars as they wanted. Ten of the high power lamps and the services of a lamplighter were lent to the Government Famine Hay Depot Kheri during the last winter. These were returned in the middle of March. Only depreciation charges for lamps were asked for.

The kerosine oil empties - tins and boxes - fetched a good price and to.

some little degree helped in balancing the increased expenditure. The former were given to the Forest Department for the Bhowali Turpentine Factory.

Lala Govin Lal was the member in charge Lighting during the year.

Thefts of reservoirs and chimneys, and damages to panes of glasses on lamps did not abate during the year even after the first thief received a year's imprisonment. Another thief was since detected and sentenced by the Court to one month's.

The hydro-electric project estimated to cost 4½ lacs is under revision by the Sanitary Engineer to Government,

ASSEMBLY ROOMS.

19. The year opened with a balance of Rs. 729/-. The income was Rs. 4187/- as against Rs. 3699/- in the year previous. Expenditure during the year was Rs. 3453/- against Rs. 4142/- of the previous year. The year closed with a cash balance of Rs. 1463/-. The balance of rent for the lower storey due from Lala Prem Lal Behari Lal lessee for 1917-18 viz. Rs. 640/- was recovered by Civil suit. The Station Library owed Rs. 900/- due for rent to the end of the calendar year 1918. Of this only Rs. 300/- have been paid on the 10th May of the current year, leaving a balance of Rs. 600/- yet unpaid. The upper floor was leased for a Cinema and a room on the ground floor was let for a Soldiers' Canteen. Part of the lower floor remained empty.

Rs. 2100/- were paid during the year to debenture holders on account of interest on the 7 % debentures, for the year 1917. In the current year except in one case where it was paid for the full year, interest for the half year 1918 has been paid. The current year saddles the Assembly Rooms with a heavy cost of about Rs. 3000/- for reconstructing the Library verandah, declared dangerous last year by the Chief Engineer and the colour washing and painting that has to be done to the building. As the Municipal Board has been authorised to pay off debentures and extinguish the trust in favour of the public efforts will be made to redeem a few shares yearly as Municipal Funds permit.

GENERAL REMARKS.

20 The working of the year shows a further great improvement. Collections of arrears and of current demands were taken up with promptitude. The hard work both by the office and outside staff in this regard is apparent from the small balances of arrears brought forward to the current year. Animals tax is still collected with difficulty.

The Board has gained financially from regular inspections and closer supervision.

The Board again acknowledges with gratitude the very generous assistance from Government during the year under report. The special grant of Rs. 52000/- for the improvement of roads will help to make the roads worthy of the summer residence of the Local Government.

The sanitation of the Municipality was on the whole satisfactory. Epidemics were promptly arrested and subdued.

Incinerators have worked well. The Board of Public Health has to be thanked for the grant of Rs. 5850/- to meet half the cost of new incinerators and dustbins.

The Municipal Salt depots were transferred to the two appointed agents - one in each bazaar who sell at prices approved by the Board. A shop each for the sale of standard cloth in the 2 bazaars was licensed. They have practically sold out what they obtained from the wholesale dealer at Kashipur.

The conservancy tax in the Civil Station and the bazaar conservancy (capitation) tax have now been replaced by Scavenging Tax which came into force from April 1st, 1919.

The accounts of the Municipality were audited. An improvement in the accounts was noted on by the Examiner Local Fund Accounts in his concluding remarks.

The present office building is both inadequate and insufficient in accommodation. The records can not be improved to the extent necessary for want of space. The project of a combined District and Municipal Board offices has been abandoned for the present. The current year's budget provides Rs. 600/- for an additional room.

Under the Census byelaws a census of the inhabitants within Municipal limits was taken on 30th June 1918 and on 18th December 1918. The respective records are 16,201 and 7,615. The Government census records of 1911 show the summer population at 16,788 and the winter at 9579. The incidence of taxation and incidence of income on the Balance Sheet have as in previous years been worked out according to the Government census figures.

The Armistice Celebrations on 12th November 1918 were carried out with great festivities on the Flats. The Band of St. Joseph's (I. D. F.) was in attendance. The whole of the bazaars were illuminated and there were bonfires on principal hill peaks. Lala Chandra Lal Sah, Rais, presented valuable prizes to European Schools and Mr. Muirhead gave a feast to the Wellesley Girls School. Fireworks were contributed by the first named.

The foregoing portion of this report has been written by B. Abinashi Lal, Secretary and is some what diffuse, but I have not yet had time to get first hand knowledge of the Municipality and have refrained from altering it.

The Board has received help from the Hon'ble Col. C. Mactaggart, C. I. E., Lt. Col. Hunter, Civil Surgeon, Mr. M. W. Clifford, Major Hayes, and Capt. Maydwell and places its gratitude on record.

I have no personal knowledge of the services and work of members of the Board and the salaried staff and am unable to record the usual acknowledgments.

I have the honour to be,
Sir.

Your most obedient servant,
C. A. MUMFORD, L. C. S., V. B. E.,
CHAIRMAN.

ENCLOSURES.

1. Copy of special resolutions Nos. 2 and 3 of a meeting of the Municipal Board of Naini Tal, held on the 22nd April 1919.
2. Statement in form A.
3. " " B.
4. Appendix A.
5. " B.
6. " C.
7. " D.
8. " E.
9. A brief report on the working of the Naini Tal Water-Works.
10. Sanitary Report.
11. Abstract of the Assembly Rooms Account.

A. L. Sah
Secretary

C. A. MUMFORD, I. C. S. O. B. E.,
Chairman

Copy of special resolution No. 2 of a meeting of the Municipal Board of Naini Tal, held on the 22nd April 1919.

The statement and appendices A. B. C. D. E. with a brief report on the working of the Naini Tal Water Works and abstract of the Assembly Rooms Account to accompany the annual administration report for the year ending March 31st. 1919 were considered and passed. It was further resolved that Water Works report should be discussed at the next Public Works Committee's meeting with reference to suggestions of Superintendent, Water Works.

Copy of special resolution No. 3 of a meeting of the Municipal Board of Naini Tal, held on the 22nd April 1919.

The Sanitary report for the year ending March 31st. 1919 was considered and passed.

A. L. Sah
Secretary.

C. A. MUMFORD I. C. S. O. B. E.
Chairman

Form A.

Annual Statement of income and expenditure

**For the Year 1918-1919,
Population 16,788.**

INCOME

Number of item.	Heads of income	Actuals of the previous year 1917-1918	Budget Es- timate for the current year 1918-19	Actuals for the current year 1918-19
1	2	3	4	5
1	By BALANCE IN HAND AT CLOSE OF LAST YEAR ...	58797	52838	72435
	MUNICIPAL RATES AND TAXES.			
3	Tax on the annual value of buildings and lands ...	41418	40000	44080
4	Tax on animals and vehicles—			
	[a] tax on boats ...	248	251	264
	[c] tax on animals used for riding, driving etc. ...	1888	1950	2092
6	Tolls [on roads and ferries] ...	36892	38000	46905
7	Water tax ...	30108	30000	32470
9	Conservancy [including scavenging and latrine taxes] ...	33179	32000	38806
10[b]	Lake frontage tax ...	707	707	707
11	Total rates and taxes ...	144440	142908	165324
	REALIZATIONS UNDER SPECIAL ACT—			
12	From pounds ...	33	35	58
14	From licences for the sale of spirits & drugs ...	132	143	142
14(a)	From other sources Grass* ...	147	150	149
15	Total ...	312	328	349
	REVENUE DERIVED FROM MUNICIPAL PROPERTY AND POWERS APART FROM TAXATION			
16	Rents of lands, houses, sarais [rest houses], dak bugalows, etc. ...	8592	9600	10086
17	Salv-proceeds of lands produce of lands, etc. ...	964	650	908
18	Conservancy receipts [other than taxes and rates] ...	83	75	78
19	Fees and revenue from educational institutions ...	63	100	124
21(a)	Markets ...	4941	5000	4494
21(b)	Slaughter-houses ...	5238	5500	5846
23	Sale of water—			
	(1) Sale proceeds of water ...	8886	12000	11738
	(2) Rent of meters ...	1301	1000	1466
	(3) Other items ...	2388	2000	1843
23(a)	Copying fees ...	64	50	62
23(c)	Registration fees for Jhampanies ...	492	167	167
23(d)	License fees on dandies etc ...	521	450	443
23(e)	Registration fee for dogs ...	1194	1280	1341
24	Fines under Municipal and other Acts ...	610	1000	1141
	Interest of investments.			
25	For general purposes ...	5		
27	Premium on loans ...	505	756	400
29	Total ...	35847	39628	40137
	Carried over	180599	182864	205810

INCOME

Number of items	Heads of income	Actuals of the previous year 1917-1918	Budget Es- timate for the current year 1918-1919	Actuals for the current year 1918-1919
1	2	3	4	5
	Brought forward ...	180599	182864	205810
	GRANTS AND CONTRIBUTIONS (FOR GENERAL AND SPECIAL PURPOSES)—			
	<i>From Government.</i>			
30	For general purposes ...	47745	74559	63973
	<i>From other sources.</i>			
36	For general purposes ...		2500	2500
39	Total ...	47745	77059	66473
	MISCELLANEOUS—			
40	Recoveries on account of services rendered to private individuals ...	1633	1100	3194
41	Other items ...	1911	4300	10778
41(a)	Projection fees ...	...	20	510
41(b)	Sale of salt ...	...	3999	4006
42	Total ...	3544	9419	18488
43	TOTAL INCOME OF YEAR EXCLUDING OPENING BALANCE ...	231888	269342	290771
48	Advances, { Permanent ...	916	945	1045
50	Deposits ...	19597		15059
51	Total ...	20512	945	16104
*52	TOTAL RECEIPTS EXCLUDING OPENING BALANCE ...	252400	270287	306875
#53	TOTAL RECEIPTS INCLUDING OPENING BALANCE ...	311197	323125	379310
54	Incidence of taxation (column 11) per head of population ...	8-9-7	8-8-2	9-13-7
55	Incidence of income (column 43) per head of population...	13-13-0	16-0-8	17-5-1

* Should show the totals of items 43 and 51

+ " " " " 1 and 52

ESTIMATED EXPENDITURE

Number of item.	Heads of expenditure	Actuals of the previous year 1917-1918	Budget Es- timate for the current year 1918-19	Actuals for the current year 1918-1919
1	2	3	4	5
	GENERAL ADMINISTRATION AND COLLECTION CHARGES—			
1	General administration (office establishment, inspection honorary magistrate's establishment, etc.) ...	8318	9050	8441
2	Collection of taxes including bonded ware-houses (esta- blishment, purchase of account books and paper, money boxes, repairs to outposts, etc.) ...	921	1065	1044
3	Collection of tolls on roads and ferries ...	4621	5149	4897
4	Survey of land ...	555	250	112
5	Refunds (other than octroi) ...	826	232	231
	Total ...	15241	15746	14725
	PUBLIC SAFETY—			
9	Lighting (establishment, purchase of lamps, oil, repairs, etc.) ...	8850	11099	11098
	Total ...	8850	11099	11098
	PUBLIC HEALTH AND CONVENIENCE—			
12	Water supply { Capital outlay ...	23237	8715	8618
13	Water supply { (Establishment repairs, etc.) ...	40866	52548	52548
14	Drain- age { Capital outlay ...	35923	13504	8895
15	Drain- age { Establishment, repairs etc. ...	7054	10017	9955
16	Conservancy (including road cleaning and watering and latrine) ...			
	(a) Subordinate establishment ...	23061	26633	25910
	(b) Cost and feed of livestock ...	388	529	528
	(c) Plant and contingencies ...	3004	2500	2221
17	Charges on account of health officers and sanitary inspectors ...	4847	5000	4915
18	Hospitals and dispensaries ...	4338	5600	5579
20	Vaccination ...	538	496	418
21	Other sanitary requirements ...	4343	15375	1322
22	Markets and slaughter-houses ...	2107	4859	3447
23	Pounds ...	24	32	32
24	Dak bungalows and sarais ...	615	200	95
25	Arboriculture, public gardens and experimental cultivation ...	432	485	374
26	Veterinary charges ...		6619	4621
28	Public works { Establishment ...	3004	3070	3069
29	Public works { buildings ...	3936	2518	1205
30	Public works { Roads ...	16981	70749	40938
31	Public works { Stores ...	158	1146	620
	Total ...	174856	230594	175310
	PUBLIC INSTRUCTION—			
32	School and Colleges ...	1860	2100	2095
32[a]	Construction and repair of school buildings ...	42	1100	39
33	Contributions ...	172	172	172
25	Total ...	2074	3372	2306
	Carried over ...	176930	23966	177616

Number of items	Heads of expenditure	Actuals of the previous year 1917-1918	Budget Estimate for the current year 1918-1919	Actuals for the current year 1918-1919
1	2	3	4	5
	Brought forward ...	176930	23966	177616
36	CONTRIBUTIONS— For general purposes ...	2117	2117	2117
	MISCELLANEOUS—			
38	Interest of loans { Interest due on account of current year ...	9834	9214	9214
40	Actual cost of work done for private individuals ...	2458	2224	2224
41	Other items {	1697	2687	2086
41 (b)		1109	1300	1165
41 (c)		286	413	412
41 (d)		262	1375	1359
41 (f)		2098	4696	4490
41 (g)		—	2700	2664
41 (h)	Municipal Dairy at Takula ...	53	320	313
43	Total ...	17797	24329	23927
44	TOTAL EXPENDITURE ...	220935	287257	229483
	EXTRAORDINARY AND DEBT—			
48	Repayment of loans ...	15526	16146	16146
49	Permanent Advance ...	915	945	1045
51	Deposits ...	1386	...	19597
52	Total ...	17827	17091	36788
*53	TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS ...	238762	304348	266271
	BALANCE—			
54	Deposits ...	19597	—	15059
55	Actual balances ...	52838	18777	97980
56	Total ...	72435	18777	113039
§57	Grand Total ...	311197	323125	379310
59	Permanent advance ...	915	945	1045

* Should show the total of items 44 and 52.

§ „ „ „ „ 53 and 56.

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C. W. GRANT, I. C. S.

Signature of Secretary.

Dated the 15th April 1919.

Signature of Chairman.

Certified that the balance at the credit of the Naini Tal Municipality in the Naini Tal Treasury was Rs 112442-6-11 (one Lakh twelve thousand four hundred and forty two, annas six and pies eleven only)

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GURUSEWAK UPADHYA

Secretary.

Chairman.

Treasury Officer.

NOTE—The difference of Rs 597-0-0 only between the Treasury balance and the balance as shown against item 55 of the statement is due to receipts for 31st March 1919 having been credited into the Treasury on 1st April 1919.

Form No. B.

MUNICIPALITY OF NAINI TAL.

Statement of Expenditure on Original Works during the year 1918-1919.

No.	Nature of Work	Total estimated cost	Amount expended in previous year	Amount allotted in the year of report	Amount expended during the year of report	Remarks.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	Water supply capital outlay					
1	Special repairs of the damaged portion of the water works compound wall ...	346		346	455	Completed
2	Water works improvement scheme ...	38517	37156	2447	3446	do
3	Providing an impervious lining to Bara Nala near the Water works ...	8454	8608	2622	2621	{ do in 1917-1918 Paid for in 1918-1919
4	Reinforced concrete bridge to Water Works Engine House ...	3000		3000	3000	
5	Protection of springs by barbed wire fence and fixing locks to cisterns ...	300		300	94	In progress do since completed
	Drainage capital outlay					
6	Special repairs to drain No. 56 below the Reserve Police lines ...	18135	12000	9768	8338	In progress
7	Rebuilding and protecting the damaged portion of Fairy Hall drain ...	15950	15948	1693		In progress the allotment made for 24% Estab., tools & plant charges since withdrawn
8	Constructing the drains below the Reserve Police line at Talli Tal ...	7975	7975	793		Completed
9	Improvement in the drainage in front of Messrs. Jehangir & Co's shop at Malli Tal ...	150		150	62	In progress since completed
10	Scrapping main sewer ...	500		500	127	In progress
11	Special repairs to bazaar drains ...	600		600	369	do
	Other Sanitary requirements					
12	Dhobies tanks for washing durries ...	230		230	229	Completed
13	Construction of cowsheds at Talli Tal ...	1470		1470	375	In progress
14	Constructing a double cell Sialkote incinerator at Municipal market ...	419		363	362	Completed
15	Urgent Sanitary Works ...	1000	414	586	281	In progress
16	Lake weeding ...	100		100	75	Completed
17	Special repairs to rubbish carts ...	151		151		In progress
18	Incinerators and dustbins ...	12225		12225		Grant to meet half the cost received from Board of P. & H. on 27-3-1919
19	Lake cleaning and Railings in front of sweepers quarters ...	250		250		In progress
	Markets & Slaughter-houses					
20	Re-constructing Bakery Godowns at Malli Tal and erection of quarters for Bakers servants ...	6600	2641	3959	2749	Completed and since paid for

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No.	Nature of Work	Total estimated cost	Amount expended in previous year	Amount allotted in the year of report	Amount expended during the year of report	Remarks.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	Veterinary charges					
21	Veterinary Hospital ...	5229		5229	3745	Completed
22	Parda wall and a kitchen latrine to Veterinary Hospital ...	1390		1390	876	Completed but not paid for
	P. W. Buildings.					
23	Construction of Oil Godown at Malli Tal	518		518	345	Completed
	Roads					
24	Special repairs to Municipal roads ...	6834	6793	1085	1085	do
25	New approach road to the Kaladhungi cemetery ...	507		507	507	The contribution was made to P. W. D.
26	Special repairs to the upper reaches of Ayarpatta roads ...	700		700		Not paid to the P. W. D. the Govt. grant of 53000/- might cover this also.
27	Fencing a cemetery at Sukha Tal ...	500		500	445	Completed
28	Rebuilding a retaining wall on the Colvin road above the outhouses of Bough Cottage ...	332		332	332	In progress
29	White washing concrete posts ...	120		120	249	do
29(a)	Fencing roads ...	110		110		
30	Special repairs to municipal roads monsoon damages ...	3283		3283	3283	Not taken in hand the contribution was made to P. W. D.
31	Fencing roads from Rookwood to Wood stock and St. Lo George to Breewar...					
32	Sher-ka-danda roads ...					
33	Ayarpatta Roads ...	53000		53000	25176	Paid to P. W. D. work is in progress, some has been done.
34	Sher-ka-danda fencing ...					
35	Ayarpatta fencing ...					
36	Fees for making necessary surveys for estimates of general improvements...					
	Public Instructions.					
37	Addition of a room to the existing Primary Municipal School ...	1000		1000		Not taken in hand estimate under scrutiny
	Miscellaneous other items					
38	Marking and numbering Forest compartment ...	50		50	34	Since completed
39	Sowing seeds in Forests (Blankorpes)...	50		50		In progress
	Total Rs ...	189995	91535	109427	57661	

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Chairman.

Statement showing the constitution of the board for the municipality of Naini Tal during the year ending 31st March 1919

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O. W. GRANT, I. O. S.
Chairman, Municipal Board.

Appendix B.

Statement showing the Expenditure on, and the condition of, all schools maintained from or aided by the Municipal fund for the year ending 31st March 1919.

		Number of schools or training classes						Number of scholars on rolls on the 31st March 1919.						Expenditure from municipal funds						Remarks.									
		In English schools		In training classes		In vernacular middle classes		In upper primary classes of vernacular schools		In lower primary classes of vernacular schools		In other special schools		Cost of teachers		Contingencies, etc.		Inspection			Scholarships		Contributions to district board		Grants-in-aid		Total recurring expenditure		Buildings and occasional repairs
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17													
Intra-municipal schools managed by municipal or district board	Primary schools (Municipal Primary school)		1			20	92		859	136			172		1167	39	Includes pay of a chaukidar at Rs7/- per month and allowance on account of dearness of food to the staff.												
	Primary school		1				78							300	300														
	Total		2			20	170		859	136			172	300	1467	539													
Girls schools aided by municipal board	Primary schools		4				243							800	800	Arya Samaj Girls school Talli Tal 59 Hindu Girls school 81 Malli Tal Mission Girls school Malli Tal 59 " " Talli Tal 53													
	Total, girls schools		4				243							800	800														
Total expenditure from municipal funds								859	136			172	1160	2267	39	243													

Note-In the case of vernacular middle classes boys who have appeared in the Vernacular Final Examination should be shown

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APPENDIX C.

Showing expenditure on water works and sewerage and drainage works in the Naini Tal Municipality.

Water Works,				Sewerage and drainage works.			
Nature of charges,	Budget allotment.	Amount of expenditure.	Total.	Nature of charges.	Budget allotment.	Amount of expenditure.	Total.
1. Establishment--				2. Construction--			
(a) Permanent establishment		10994		(a) Sewers ...	500	127	
(b) Office contingencies...		297		(b) Surface drains ...	13004	8769	
2. Pumping--							
(a) Coal ...		29808		3. Repairs--			
(b) Oil and waste ...		1104		(b) Surface drains ...	10017	9955	
(c) Other stores ...		1183					
3. Intake--							
(a) Training river ...							
4. Settling tanks and filters--							
(a) Clearing settling tank	52,548						
(b) Clearing and renewing filter beds							
(c) Purchase of sand ...							
5. Distribution--							
(a) Pipes and fittings ...		2420					
(b) Meters ...		324					
6. Repairs--							
(a) To Tanks ...		99					
(b) To buildings and grounds ...		149					
(c) To machinery ...		5146					
(d) So tools and Plants ...		77					
7. Water analysis		947					
Total	52548	52548		Total	23521	18851	

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Secretary.

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Chairman.

APPENDIX D. WATER WORKS.

Statement of operations during the year 1918-1919.

<i>Population.</i>				
By census of 1901 in municipality	...	...	...	16788
Ditto cantonment	...	...	...	1239
Total				18027
<i>Cost of works.</i>				
Initial capital cost	...	...	Rs.	247000
Cost of extensions and improvements to end of previous year	...	...	"	411960
Ditto ditto during year	...	...	"	8617
Total cost of works				667577
<i>Consumption of filtered water</i>				
During year including cantonment	...	...	Gallons...	32628102
Daily average ditto	...	...	"	89392
Maximum daily average in any one month	...	...	"	208308
Daily average for cantonment alone	...	...	"	3702
Average number of hours filtered water pumped daily	...	...	"	11.25
<i>Annual charges and receipts.</i>				
Maintenance charges	...	...	Rs.	52548
Total charges with interest and payment of loan	Maintenance charges			52548
	Interest and repayment of loan			23014
				75562
<i>Income from water works.</i>				
Water-rate recovered during year	...	...	Rs.	32470
Sale of water and other receipts	...	...	"	15047
Total income				47517
<i>Number of house connection at end of year.</i>				
For purely domestic purposes	...	...	...	229
For other purposes	...	...	...	21
Total				250
Number of connections with meters	...	...	...	225

NOTE—The water was not applied for and hence the meters were not fixed back for domestic and non-domestic purposes at 18 + 3 = 21 house connections respectively. This is not due to rent on meters.

A. HODGEN,
Superintendent Water Works

C. W. GRANT, *l. c. s.*
Chairman.

APPENDIX E.

Statement of expenditure from non-recurring grants and loans.

Particulars of loan or grant (authority, purpose and amount)	Amount taken up to the end of last year	Amount received during the year under report	Total	Expenditure up to the end of last year	Expenditure in the year under report	Total	Balance of amount taken up to date left un- expended	Remarks.
G. O. No. 679/XI-716 D of 25th February 1912 and G. O. No. 252/XI-406 E dated the 16th January 1917 water works improvement scheme 38517.	38517	...	38517	37156	2446	39602	Nil	The excess of Rs 1085/- over the estimated Go- vernment Grant met partly from the municip- al revenue and partly from the savings effect- ed under Government Grants for renewal of Engine and boiler parts and for improvement of the cattle shed etc.
G. O. No. 4107/XI-163 dated 9-11-1917 rebuilding and protecting the damaged portion of Fairy Hall drain 15950.	15950	...	15950	15948	Nil	15948	...	Rs 2/- transferred to Water Works improve- ment scheme.
G. O. No. 446/XI-163 dated 5-3-1918 special repairs to drain No. 56 below the Re- serve Police lines 18135	18135	...	18135	12000	8338	20338	Nil	The excess of 2203/- over the estimated Go- vernment Grant met from the savings effect- ed under Government grant for Fairy Hall drain. Rs 832/-transf- ered to meet the addition- al expense incurred on Water Works improve- ment scheme.
Renewal of Engine and boiler parts Rs 12270/-	12270	...	12270	11438	Nil	11438	...	Rs 50/- transferred to meet the additional ex- penditure on Water Works improvement scheme.
Sanitary Board U. P's No 938/S.B. 104, No. 1068/S.B. 104 dated 31-8 and 7th October 1915 respectively. Improvement of the cattle shed at Talli Tal, of slaugh- ter Houses and of beef mar- ket, quarters for sweeper at Malli Tal and three Incine- rators 5283	5283	...	5283	5135 98	...	5135 98	...	* Transferred to scrap- ing main sewer last year.
Sanitary Board U. P's No. 1422/119 S. B. dated the 10th December 1915 in- stallation of chlorinisation plant at the Water works.	4500	...	4500	2833	...	2833	...	Rs 1667/- transferred to meet the additional expenditure incurred in providing impuvous lining and special re- pairs to Bara Nala.

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G. O. No. Fencing roads from Rookwood to Woodstock and from St. Loe Gorge to Broemar Sher ka danda roads Ayarpatta roads Sher ka danda fencing Ayarpatta Fencing Fees for making necessary surveys for estimates of general improvements	Nil	53000	53000	Nil	25176	25176	27824	
Board of Public Health No. 369/B. P. H. S. A. dated the 4th March 1919 Construction of nine incine- rators and nine dustbins for the disposal of refuse and rubbish from houses and Bazaars in the muni- cipality	Nil	5620	5620	Nil	Nil	Nil	5620	The balance left to be expended is Rs 33444 plus Rs 2260/3/8 re- funded by the P. W. D. in March 1919 a/c 24% establishment tools and plant charges.
Totals ...	94655	58620	153275	84608	35960	120568	33444	

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Secretary.C. W. GRANT, I. C. S.
Chairman.

A brief report on the working of the Maini Tal Water Works during the year ended March 31st. 1919 by the Superintendent, Water Works.

I beg to submit my report on the working of the Water Works for the year ended 31st. March 1919.

1. The boilers have been all fitted with new headers and tubes; the mud boxes and blow down cocks have also been renewed; the brass mountings and steam gauges have also been changed for the new ones provided for in the estimate. The Boiler Inspector has passed all the boilers, I beg to state that the economiser will next year need a complete overhaul as it has been in service as long as the boilers and the headers are showing signs of wear and tear. This can be done next year. I will submit an estimate for this later on.

A new pump chamber has been fitted in place of the one that burst in Engine No. 1 and all the necessary repairs have been done as recommended by the Machinery Inspector and the plant is in good working order.

2. The filter plant has been sold to the Haldwani Notified Area. The chlorine plant is in working order and will be worked should there be a scarcity of water and the Bara Nadi springs have to be used.

The springs at "Spring Cottage" and "Lake View" have been in use all the year for flushing the water flushed latrines and have saved coal.

3. All the collecting reservoirs have been cleaned out as per instructions received from Public Health Committee's minute No. 3 (c) dated 5th. October 1918

The large reservoirs have been cleaned out in winter and in March last—also the standposts or service tanks.

The proper fencing of the Higher Level springs have been carried out. Taps have been provided to the spring pipes for collecting water samples which are now taken by the Health Officer, Municipal Board, and submitted for local analysis once a month. The spring-houses are visited once a week and kept clean and wholesome.

4. The connection for flushing out the Malli Tal Latrine is in working order. My suggestion for fixing the tank at "Endcliffe" near the Malli Tal latrine and use it for flushing purposes and so save coal was not done last year. It may be done this year as it certainly will be a saving in coal.

5. The grounds have been kept in a sanitary condition. The ferro concrete slabbing in the Bara nadi is in good condition. The question of the dumping ground for the ashes has not been taken up. If the Public Works Department do not think it suitable for road dressing, some provision should be made to clear the site as it is full up and a good portion of the ashes slide back into the Bara nadi.

6. The intermediate pipe line worked well.

7. The Lake Engine plant is in working order. Now that the war is over and the prices of piping going down the proposal for linking up of the Kilberry spring should be adopted and carried out. It must be a saving in coal as it is a gravitation supply.

In conclusion I may add that the major repairs to boilers and engines have been carried out by my staff which work in other Water Works is done by outside firms. They have also constructed a new superheater, which is a saving of Rs. 3000/-. They have put in a lot of overtime to get the work finished and I would recommend that a bonus be sanctioned by the Board. The estimated saving to the Board has been Rs. 1400/- (one thousand and four hundred).

The bridge over the Baranadi is not renewed as yet.

Extract from Borad's special resolution No. 2 dated the 22nd. April 1919.

It was further resolved that the Water Works report should be discussed at the next Public Works Committee's meeting with reference to suggestions of Superintendent Water Works.

C. A. MUMFORD, I. C. S., O. B. E.,
CHAIRMAN.

**SANITARY REPORT OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF NAINI TAL
FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st MARCH, 1919.**

One copy to be transmitted direct to the Sanitary Commissioner on or before the 30th April

ANSWERS.

1. State the total annual income, excluding the opening balance, the opening balance, the receipts from conservancy and the expenditure on conservancy during the year.

1 (1) Rs 290771/- (inclusive of Rs 66,473/- Government and other grants) (2) Rs 52,838/- (3) Rs 38,881/- (4) Rs 28,659/-.

2. State briefly the chief sanitary defects, the remedial measures adopted and new projects under contemplation.

2 Insanitary houses in the two Bazars, and defective drainage; improvement of both is under contemplation, but financial difficulty is very great.

Rubbish disposal. A second pair of bullocks for the two Municipal Bazaar rubbish carts, was purchased. More incinerators are also to be put up next year.

3. State briefly the sanitary works executed or in progress during the year including :—

3 (1) Re-inforced concrete bridge to Water Works Engine House (2) Protection of springs by barbed wire fence and fixing locks to cisterns (3) Scraping main sewer and etc. (4) Dhobi's tanks for washing durries and etc.

(4) Sewage and drainage -

(A) Scraping of the main sewer to a length of 8500 feet was done at a cost of 127-0-0. A new public water flushed urinal already made in Talli Tal and two more are contemplated.

(1) Number of house connections for sullage and sewage.

(1) The Y. M. C. A., sullage is to be shortly connected with the main sewer. Improvement to the Waverley Hotel sullage connection with the sewer is being carried out.

(2) Improvements to sewage or drainage.

(2) Houses No. 251 to 253 Malli Tal and 1, 2, 3. Talli Tal drainage improvement suggested last year have been done.

(B) Improvements to water supply with the number of new house connections.

(B) Samples of water from all the Municipal springs are taken once a month by the Health Officer and sent to Major Hayes, R. A. M. C., for analysis, and the springs thoroughly cleaned out when an unfavourable report is received. Fencing of ground around the Cheena and Forest springs, is about to be made.

Improvement to the doors of the springs and the proper locking of these is also to be undertaken in the near future.

(C) Improvements to conservancy, namely—Number of public and private water-borne latrines.

(C) Nothing done this year, except petty repairs.

(D) Improvements to site, and

(D) Many trees were cut, improving the frontage and lighting of houses

ANSWERS.

(E) Any other improvements that may have been effected.

4 How the refuse and night-soil are removed and disposed of?

(a) The places appointed under section 273

(b) The number and pattern of public latrine seats for males and females in working order.

(c) The number and pattern of urinals and dustbins

(d) The number and pattern of private latrines in use, and

(e) Total number of cesspits, approximate amount of sullage per day and the number of carts used for removal

5. State the number of notices issued under sections 186, 192, 211, 245, 267, 268, 269, 276, 278 and 284 and the number complied with under each section.

6. State if byelaws have been made under the following heads of section 298, A, B, C, D, E, (c), F, G, I, and J. (a), (b), (d).

7. State the number of cases prosecuted under the Adulteration of Food and Drugs Acts and the results.

(E) Improvement to the Beef Market, Slaughter House and Manora dispensary, cleaning of the lake, Ballia Ravine and Sewage Farm.

4. Refuse is partly carted away and partly incinerated but mostly buried.

Night soil is carried to pail depots in closed buckets and ultimately disposed of at the Rusi Ghat where a sewage farm is in existence though not in working order.

(a) Very few Municipal dustbins are in existence now, but a roofed dustbin has to be attached to each new incinerator. In the Bazaar the shop keepers are ordered to keep numbered receptacles for the temporary deposit of refuse, near their shops.

(b) 78 Male seats water borne.
35 „ „ gumla type.
22 female seats water borne.
8 „ „ gumla type.

(c) Dustbins are of the ordinary open masonry type. The urinals are of no special type but consist of foot rests on tiled floor. The urine escapes through a hole in the floor. All the existing urinals are proposed to be made of the water flushed pattern.

(d) 805 private latrines of the kadamcha pattern mostly provided with catchpits and drain. A few are of the Hornbury type.

(e) Almost every latrine and kitchen of the buggalows has a catchpit for receiving its sullage. This pit is emptied by buckets into pail depot. The amount is not calculated. About 1500 gallons of night soil in winter and 250 in summer is taken away to pail depots.

5. 214 under section 267 (1) and one under section 278 and others are nil. Most of them have been complied with, but inspection in order to ascertain some of them has not been completed, as the period of notice does not expire up to date.

6. Byelaws under A, E (c), F, G, I, J. (a) and (b) have been made J (d) Rules under section 153. "Scavenging" have been made.

7. 52 samples of milk, ghee oil etc., were sent for analysis from here to the public Analyst Lucknow during 1918. 21 persons were prosecuted and all convicted and fined rupees 340/- in all, the fines varying from 5 to 50 rupees per case. Three persons were warned by the Chairman Municipal Board and let off. The remaining 28 samples were reported to be of genuine materials.

ANSWERS

8. Give a brief report on the—

(a) general health of people,

(b) particularly of any outbreak of epidemic disease during the year, with date of commencement and termination, the methods adopted to control the epidemic, and arrangements for isolation of infectious cases

(c) the number of children born and the number of deaths under one year of age from 1st January to 31st December, and

(d) the areas which record the highest death rates.

8. The general health of the people was good, but owing to an out-break of influenza and Cholera in an epidemic form, the mortality increased to 283 as compared with 226 of last year.

(a) During the season some isolated cases of Measles, Chickenpox, Small pox, Scarlet and Relapsing fevers were reported. The 1st case of cholera was noticed on 24-5-18, and the last case on 9-6-1918 the total number of cases within and immediately surrounding the Municipal limits being 38. (11 within and 27 in the surrounding villages). Prompt isolation or removal to the Manora Hospital of the cases and contacts. Disinfection of the infected houses and clothing and printed instructions regarding the measures for preventing the disease, were adopted. A special Sanitary Inspector from Agra and four vaccinators with the Assistant Superintendent of Vaccination from the district were called for cholera duty. Destruction of rotten fruits and vegetable and restriction of the importation of fish from Bareilly, were also resorted to.

(b) The Influenza out-break was too rapid to be checked by preventive measures, a very large percentage of the population being attacked during the first wave of the disease in August and September 1918. A few cases of the disease also occurred in December and January 1919.

(c) Births 258. Deaths under one year of age 51 equivalent to an infant mortality of 197 per thousand births.

A mid-wife was engaged in May 1918 by the Municipality on Rs 30/- per month for giving free attendance on labour cases to the poor people.

(d) The two bazaars Malli Tal and Talli Tal.

M. R. DALAL, D. P. H.

Health Officer

C. W. GRANT, I. C. S.

Chairman

THE
ANNUAL ADMINISTRATION REPORT

OF THE

NAINI TAL
Municipality

FOR THE YEAR ENDING

31st March 1975

Memo of dates of the Annual Administration Report of
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C. W. GRANT, I.C.S.,
Chairman.

No. 974/I-2

FROM

C. W. GRANT Esqr., I.C.S.,

Deputy Commissioner and Chairman,

City Board, Naini Tal.

TO

THE COMMISSIONER,

Kumaun Division,

Naini Tal.

Dated, Naini Tal, the 28th May 1918.

SIR,

I HAVE the honour to submit the Annual Administration Report of the Naini Tal Municipality for the year ended 31st March, 1918, accompanied by the prescribed statements and appendices.

2. The statements and appendices were considered and passed by the Board by a special Resolution on April 30th, 1918.

CONSTITUTION OF THE BOARD.

3. The office of the Chairman was held by me and that of the Vice-Chairman by Mr. J. R. Muirhead. The year saw considerable changes as a result of resignations among the five appointed members mostly due to the war. These resignations include the following :—

Lt. Colonel Harriss, I.M.S., Sanitary Commissioner. 25th July 1917.

Mr. W. L. Stampe, Executive Engineer, Tarai and Bhabar Estates.
12th July 1917.

M. Ferozdin. 13th October 1917.

The seat of Lt-Colonel Harriss remains vacant at present but it is now proposed to ask Government sanction for the appointment of the Deputy Sanitary Commissioner in his place. Mr. Stampe has been replaced by Mr. R. C. Busher, M.A. and Maulvi Ferozdin by M. Faqirullah Khan. At the close of the year the Executive Engineer, Kumaun Division, also resigned and his place has been filled by the District Engineer with effect from 19th April 1918.

Elections were held on the 28th and 29th June 1917. For the class of "Proprietors" Mr. J. R. Muirhead and Lala Chandra Lal Sah, Rais, were returned unopposed and L. Chandra Lal, Rais, replaced Mr. Busher, who could no longer stand as a proprietor under the new rules. There was very keen competition, however, for the 2 seats in the class of "Petty-holders," and for the one seat in the "General Electorate." For the Petty holders L. Jai Lal Sah, Vakil, and L. Chandra Lal Sah, Vakil, were returned, and L. Govin Lal for the General Electorate.

The constitution remains unaltered except for the replacement of the class of "Tenants" by the "General Electorate."

ATTENDANCE.

4. 14 meetings of the Board were held during the year returned as against 18 previously, as under the new Act, special and ordinary business are conducted at the same meeting.

The attendance figures are as follows :—

Mr. J. R. Muirhead, Vice Chairman	14	meetings
L. Jai Lal Sah, Vakil	14	"
L. Chandra Lal, B.A., LL.B.	13	"
L. Govin Lal	10	"
L. Chandra Lal Sah, Rais	5	"
Mr. R. C. Busher, M.A.	12	"
Mr. W. C. Dible, I.C.S. Joint Magistrate	6	"
Mr. H. J. Amore, Executive Engineer Naini Tal Provincial Division.	2	"
{ Maulvi Ferozdin	7	"
{ M. Faqirullah Khan	4	"

Lt-Col. S. A. Harriss, I.M.S., Sanitary Commissioner Seat vacant since
25th July 1917.

I attended all meetings but two. The District Engineer has since been presiding over meetings of the Public Works Committee and has been giving valuable advice.

COMMITTEES.

5. The following Committees were reconstituted in July 1917, i.e. after the elections, and met as below.

	Times
1. Public Works with the Executive Engineer, Naini Tal, as Chairman	11
2. Public Health with the Joint Magistrate as Chairman	7
3. Finance with Deputy Commissioner as Chairman	6
4. Toll and Taxes do do	5

Mr. Muirhead attended all the meetings of the Public Works Committee and acted as Chairman in the absence of the Chairman of that Committee at 8 meetings.

Besides the above an Assessment Committee was constituted. The burden of this work devolved largely on Mr. Muirhead for the Civil Station and on L. Chandra Lal, Vakil, for the bazaars.

Several other Special Sub-Committees in regard to the rules and bye-laws under the new Act met during the year. In these Mr. Dible, I.C.S., Joint Magistrate, gave most valuable assistance.

ESTABLISHMENT.

6. Mr. H. B. Perks remained as Secretary-Engineer until the afternoon of August 30th, 1917 on which date his services were transferred to the Military Department. He made over charge to B. Abinashi Lal lately head clerk who has continued to act as S. P. T. Secretary of the Board except for a few days during which the Joint Magistrate carried on the duties.

The services of Dr. Mukand, D. P. H. the Board's Health Officer, were also placed at the disposal of Government of India in the Army Department with effect from the 28th August 1917. He was succeeded by Dr. M. R. Dalal, D. P. H. on the after-noon of September 14th, 1917. During Dr. Dalal's absence on leave and his attendance at the Kumbh Mela on duty his work was undertaken by Dr. Bala Dutt Pande, Civil Assistant Surgeon, Crosthwaite Hospital.

A satisfactory Engineer could not be found and the Board had to content itself with a work Munshi from 31st August to 30th November 1917. Mr. Hodgen, Water Works Superintendent, was then placed in charge of Public Works in addition to his current duties until the close of the year.

The Board has since appointed an Overseer and has thus reverted to the former practice of keeping the Office and Engineering Department separate.

This system is working quite satisfactorily and facilitates control.

There is little scope for an Engineer as the more important work remains in the hands of Public Works Department.

GENERAL FINANCIAL POSITION.

7. The minimum closing balance of the Board was, under the new rules, fixed at Rs. 25,921, and was temporarily reduced to Rs. 19,141 in your letter No. 2976/XXIII-24 of the 3rd March 1918 in order to meet a demand of Rs. 6,793 by the Public Works Department for special repairs to roads, and to provide for the purchase of salt for sale at Municipal depots

The year opened with balances as under :—

Balance of unspent Government grants	...	Rs.	27,400
Balance of unspent grants from other sources	...	"	1,416
Revenue	...	"	28,595
Total	...	"	<u>57,411</u>

It closes with :—

Balance of unspent Government grants	...	Rs.	10,047
Balance of unspent grants from other sources	...	"	613
Revenue	...	"	42,178
Total	...	"	<u>52,838</u>

Receipts were :—

Revenue	...	Rs.	1,84,143
Government grant recurring	...	"	5,000
Do do special	...	"	42,060
Government contribution towards the pay of Sanitary Inspector for the year 1916-17 and up to 2nd December 1917, on which date the trained Sanitary Inspector died	...	"	685
Total	...	Rs.	<u>2,31,888</u>

Expenditure :—

From Revenue	...	Rs.	1,76,083
From Grants	...	"	60,378
Total	...		<u>2,36,461</u>

There has therefore been a further satisfactory increase under Revenue receipts which are now Rs. 14,000 better than in the year 1915-16. The increased expenditure under Revenue is explained under the Head of Expenditure.

On the whole the financial position shows considerable improvement.

INCOME

8. Apart from grants the income last year was Rs. 1,79,944, and during the year under report it rose to Rs. 1,84,143.

The chief losses and gains are as follows :—

Budget head.	Losses	Gains
12. Tax on annual value of buildings and lands	...	2,281
13.(c) Tax on animals and vehicles	...	288
15. Tolls	903	...
16. Water tax	...	968
18. Conservancy including scavenging and latrine taxes	...	989
26. Sale proceeds of land and produce of land	...	250
27. Conservancy receipts (other than taxes and rates)	639	...
30.(a) Markets	...	308
30.(b) Slaughter houses	...	355
32.(1) Sale proceeds of water	4,410	...
32.(2) Rent of meters	...	1,064
32.(3) Sale of water (other items)	...	657
32.(c) Registration fee for dogs	...	358
37. Premium on loans	...	319
49. Recoveries on account of services rendered to private individuals	...	762
50. Miscellaneous other items	...	431

Brief explanations of the variations are given below :—

12. The figure includes arrears from the previous year amounting to Rs 2,599

13(c). Improved receipts are due to better supervision and the appointment of a tax inspector.

15. Rs 1,449 are still due from the Naini Tal Motor Transport Company for tolls due on motor vehicles conveying school children. This should have been paid at the toll bar and the Company has been served with a notice for recovery.

16. Includes arrears of the previous year amounting to Rs. 1,008.

18. Includes arrears Rs 2783.

26. Increase due to better prices obtained from sale of trees by public auction.

27. The figures of the previous year included a sum of Rs 340 given by the Sanitary Commissioner for experimental incinerators.

30(a) Increase due to keen competition for the meat stalls and whole sale vegetable market.

30(b) Increase due to better supervision after the detection of fraudulent transactions on the part of butchers.

32(1) This is the chief decrease and is due to the heavy and well distributed rain-fall and the tendency of the general public to economise in the

consumption of water.

32(2). Due to the rent being chargeable for the whole year as against 6 months in the previous year and the recovery of arrears.

32(3). The amount includes part of the sale proceeds of laboratory apparatus, and the hire and sale of Water Works apparatus and stores, to theatrical companies for generating electric light.

32(e). Increase due to better supervision and the appointment of a tax inspector

37. Increase due to recovery of premium due during the previous year for a protection work carried out by Municipal Agency at Glenlee.

49. The increase is due to the sale proceeds of salt at salt depots.

50. Miscellaneous items show improvements under coolie commission and prices realized for kerosine oil tins.

Arrears of tax on the annual value of buildings and water tax at the close of the year 1917-18 were as follows :—

Tax on the annual value of buildings	Rs 2386
Water tax	„ 1420

Of the arrears all except Rs 299 have since been recovered under the first head, and all except Rs 168 under the second. Owing to alterations in the rates assessments were not completed until October. This accounts for the delay in recovery.

EXPENDITURE.

9. The increase under General Administration is due to increments to subordinates on the graded list, medical leave allowances and to the payment of a bill for stationery which should have been paid in a previous year also to the payment of an allowance of Rs. 20 p. m. to the Police Sub-Assistant Surgeon for the treatment of Municipal servants.

The increase under collection of taxes is mainly due to the allowance paid to the vaccinator for doing the work of Tax Inspector throughout the year as against a portion only in the year previous.

The increase under collection of tolls is due to increments in the pay of the Toll Supervisor and the establishment under the graded list, to leave allowances, and to an increment of Rs. 5 p.m. in the horse allowance of the Toll Supervisor.

The decrease under Survey of land is due to there being no major survey operations in the year under report. Only the bazaar projection survey was carried out.

The increase under "Lighting" is due to increased prices of oil and lamp accessories.

The increase under Conservancy Subordinate establishment is due to the employment of additional sweepers during the winter for schools which in the year under report closed later than usual—for Brook Hill, and for Waverley Hotel, both of which remained open during the winter also.

The item under cost and feed of live stock represents expenditure incurred in the keep and feed of 2 municipal bullocks to cart ashes from incinerators. This work used to be done by the contractor for the removal of rubbish.

The decrease under conservancy plants and contingencies is due to the abolition of the contract noted above. The installation of incinerators has proved a great success and saving to the Board.

The decrease under Public Works establishment is mainly due to the post of Municipal Engineer falling vacant on the departure of Mr H. B. Perks for Military Service. Mr Hodgen, the Water Works Superintendent was placed in charge of the Board's Public Works from 1st December 1917 on a monthly allowance of Rs 50.

The increase under "Public Works roads" is due to damaged caused by the heavy monsoon. This necessitated the payment of Rs 6,793 to the Public Works Department for special repairs to roads.

The increase under actual cost of work done for private individuals is due to the purchase of salt for sale to the public. A separate head for this has been opened in the accounts from the current year.

The increase under Printing Charges is due to the publication of proposed byelaws under the new Act, and to the cost of new forms.

The increase under miscellaneous other items is mainly due to the Board having had to meet a deficit in connection with the maintenance of a Band during the season.

The expenditure under "Water Supply-Capital Outlay," "Drainage Capital Outlay," "Other Sanitary requirements" and "Markets and slaughter houses" is detailed in form "B."

The total expenditure exclusive of payments towards the re-payment of loans (Rs 15,526) was Rs 2,20,935 as against Rs 1,73,312 in the previous year, or an excess of Rs 47,623. This increased expenditure was unavoidable and is due to the amount of unexpended Government contribution for works having been spent during the year, to the special Government grants received during the year and passed on to the Public Works Department to meet the estimates for special repairs to, and construction of certain drains, and to the municipal contribution of Rs 6793 to the Public Works Department for special repairs to municipal roads.

The cash balance of Rs 52,838, at the close of the year is made up of:

Unexpended Government contribution for works	Rs	10,047
Unexpended contribution from other sources	...	613
Works in progress	...	7,402
Actual closing balance	...	34,776

This is an appreciable improvement over last year's figures when the actual closing balance was only Rs 18854. It is proposed to invest Rs 5,000 out of the closing balance in the War Loan.

GOVERNMENT GRANTS.

10. *Non-recurring.* These are detailed in Appendix E.

The recurring grant for general sanitary purposes is Rs. 5,000. The contribution towards the pay of the trained Sanitary Inspector for 1916-17 not received in that year, and the contribution to his pay up to the 2nd December 1917 were both received during the year and amount to Rs. 685.

ORIGINAL WORKS.

11. These works are detailed in Form B. The chief works requiring a note are the following:—

(10) Scraping main sewer.—The work was completed in May 1917, but for a short section which appears to have been left undone. This will require further attention during the coming winter. A temporary obstruction in this length was successfully dealt with by the new overseer.

(4) Two dhobis' tanks were improved in the Ballia Ravine, and the construction of a much needed water flushed urinal near the Talli Tal Post Office was taken in hand.

(10) Connecting the Malli Tal Police drainage with the main sewer. This important sanitary work was completed during the year, and was paid for by a grant from the Police Department.

(11) A second double cell Sialkote incinerator was constructed before the close of the year on the Malli Tal Market grounds, and the one near the cow-sheds dismantled.

(13) The bakery godowns were pulled down and reconstructed on an improved plan providing separate quarters for the bakers.

(15) Veterinary Hospital. A Veterinary hospital is being built near the Municipal Cowsheds in Malli Tal and will shortly be completed.

The need of the services of a Veterinary Assistant has been one of the much felt wants of the station.

Half the cost will be contributed by the District Board.

(16) Rs. 6793 were given to the Public Works Department for special repairs to the damaged portions of the following Municipal roads and retaining walls :

(1) East Lagoon, (2) Hermitage, (3) Wellesley, (4) Upper Ayarpatta (5) Prospect, (6) Fuller Hall, (7) Ousley, (8) Gurkha Lines, (9) Tunstall Hall, (10) Middle Cheena and (11) Melville roads. In all these cases the damage was done by the rains between July and September. The worst slips were on the East Lagoon and Hermitage roads.

Full details are given in the Annual Report of the District Engineer on the Hill Slopes round Naini Tal for the year 1917.

(17), (18) and (19). Constructing and repairing two drains below the Reserve Police lines, and rebuilding the damaged portion of the Fairy Hall drains. The estimates were prepared by the Public Works Department. Government made special grants of Rs. 42,060 for the 3 works. Excepting a sum of Rs. 6135 which was not required within the year, the total of the grants received was transferred by the Board to the Public Works Department.

(20) Water Works Improvement Scheme. This important work was completed before the commencement of the current season. It is expected that the cost will exceed the Government grants but the Board will meet the excess from its own funds.

(23) Laboratory Apparatus.—This apparatus was ordered from England in the time of Dr. Mukand the previous Health Officer. Subsequently it became apparent that the cost of completely furnishing a laboratory in war time would greatly exceed the first estimates and the Board had not the necessary staff to carry out the experiments. The apparatus was therefore sold to the Industrial Chemist Cawnpore at cost price.

Major Kennedy, R.A.M.C., continues his weekly analysis of Municipal water.

(24) Providing an impervious lining to the Bara Nala near the Water

Works.—This work was completed during the year, but not paid for until April 1918. Mr. Perks the previous Secretary left a note showing that there would be a considerable excess expenditure above the original contribution of Rs. 5,775 by the Sanitary Board. The total cost of the work amounted to Rs. 11,229, which has since been paid after scrutiny by the Executive Engineer.

The extra cost was met by the transfer of Rs. 1,813 from savings under other grants and Rs. 3,641 from Municipal funds.

WATER WORKS.

12. The income from Water Works was Rs. 42,683 as against Rs. 44,404 in the year 1916-17, and Rs. 41,567 in the year 1915-16. Comparative figures for the 3 years are:—

	1915-16.	1916-17.	1917-18.
Water Tax	... 29,200	29,140	30,108
Sale of water	... 11,661	13,296	8,886
Rent of meters	... nil.	237	1,301
Other items	... 706	1,731	2,388
	41,567	44,404	42,683

The above statement shows that while there has been an improvement in the collection of water tax there was a marked decline in the sale of water for reasons already given.

Against the above, maintenance charges were as follows:—

	1915-16	1916-17	1917-18
Rs	45,728	40,892	40,866

In spite of the greatly increased cost of coal and Railway freight and carting charges there was a very small increase in the total expenditure on coal, to which the well distributed rain-fall of the year contributed.

The figures are:—

	1915-16.	1916-17.	1917-18.
Coal { Cost	... Rs. 26,335	21,181	21,811
{ Tons	... 774	753	489

Some 2,500 maunds of wood valued at Rs. 1100 from Municipal forests were supplied during the year to supplement the coal. The usual annual payment of Rs. 23,014 towards the Water Works loan and interest was made. This annual payment must continue for the next 12 years.

The consumption of potable water and the daily average consumption during the three years were:—

	1915-16	1916-17	1917-18
In gallons { Consumption of potable water	31,765,762	26,583,815	22,781,886
{ Daily average	87,029	72,832	62,443

The Superintendent's report give the details for the year.

The Water Works Improvement Scheme (Intermediate pipe line system) has now been completed and will effect a considerable saving in coal estimated at between Rs. 4,000 and 5,000 per annum.

There has been the greatest difficulty in getting coal. Up to date we have received only 40 tons out of our indent for 700 tons made to Messrs. Bird & Co. in January. The Coal Controller and the Coal Manager, East Indian Railway, have been repeatedly addressed and it was disappointing

to find that even after the Coal Controller had sanctioned the necessary wagons no coal was put on the rails. The situation has since been relieved. But for timely help from the Naini Tal Club and the Agent of the Rohilkhand and Kumaon Railway the Water Works would have been forced to close down early in the present season.

The special grant of Rs. 12,270 for the renewal of parts of the engines and boiler fittings received in 1916-17 was spent during the year apart from a small sum set aside for the cost of refitting the boilers in the rains.

The Engine renewals have already been completed.

The engine has worked quite satisfactorily under the careful supervision of Mr. Hodgen the Superintendent.

Mr. Mairhead, the member in charge of the Water Works, with his Railway experience, gave valuable advice from time to time.

The Board are considering the question of increasing the supply of water for flushing the Malli Tal latrines on the lines suggested by the Superintendent.

The Lake Engine plant will not be dismantled as it is bound to be required in time of severe drought. The jewel filter will probably be sold to the Haldwani Notified Area as its purpose is sufficiently served by the Chlorine plant.

The linking of the Kilberry springs will have to wait until cost of piping is cheaper.

FORESTS.

13. The prescriptions of Mr. Lovegrove's working plan were carried out fairly well. Thinnings and cleaning operations were carried out along with the year's fellings, and brushwood was removed. The whole forest is closed to grazing except compartments 20 and 21 for the Babulia villagers, and a portion of compartment No. 31 for goats and sheep grazing. Total revenue from Forests during the year was Rs. 964. This includes sale of trees, bajri and other minor produce, but excludes cost of wood supplied to the Water Works Engines which should be reckoned at another Rs. 625 apart from the cost of carriage and cutting.

No sowings or planting were done during the year, but gaps will be sown up with indigenous species during the year under report.

35 cases under the Forest Act were compounded for Rs. 84 and 29 cases were challaned for which fines amounting to Rs. 67 were realised. These were mostly cases of illicit lopping and cutting of grass.

HEALTH AND SANITATION.

14. The general health was good and there was no outbreak of any epidemic disease during the year. Relapsing fever is fairly common among Dotial coolies. 55 cases were admitted into the Manora Epidemic Hospital. Total mortality for the calendar year was 226 as compared with 242 in the year previous. The two bazaars recorded the highest death rates. Births were 273 and deaths of children under one year were 68. The infantile mortality was 249 per thousand as against 272 per thousand in the year previous. The figures are still unsatisfactory. The Board have since entertained a mid-wife to attend maternity cases. This should be of great assistance especially to the poorer classes living in the bazaars.

A new segregation ward has been added at Government expense—during the year—to the Infectious Diseases Hospital at the Ramsay for Indian

patients. The only important sanitary works completed during the year were (1) the connecting of the drain from the Malli Tal Thana and the Mosque with the main sewer (2) the construction of new bakery godowns and quarters for bakers' servants. These have already been discussed under original works.

Owing to the absence of the Health Officer for the greater part of the cold weather a number of important minor sanitary schemes had to remain in abeyance. Chief among these are :—

1. The linking of private drains in Malli Tal with the Main Sewer.
2. The reconstruction of insanitary houses in the bazaars.
3. The removal of encroachments over municipal drains.

The question of supply of pure milk to the station has been hanging fire from years. The abolition of licenses for milk sellers leaves the latter under no direct control.

Only three cases of adulteration of milk were brought to light. Six samples were forwarded to the Public Analyst at Lucknow. More will be sent in future. Milk in three cases was reported to be free of foreign ingredients, though at a glance the milk appeared to be largely watered and this practice is a general one.

The Board are about to obtain a lease of about 50 acres of Government land in the neighbouring village of Takula, and it is proposed to start a municipal dairy next season.

The Cantonment dairy also proposes to extend its area and increase its stock of milch cows.

RAINFALL AND DRAINAGE.

15. The total rainfall was 137·76 inches, the heaviest on record since 1895 when 150·7 inches were registered. The heaviest falls were on June 20th and on September 19th, records being 5·35 and 5·06 inches respectively. Extensive damage was caused to the Fairy Hall and Reserve Police Lines drains and special repairs were taken up by the Public Works Department. The Ballia ravine suffered less than usual. The lining of the Baranala near the Water Works was completed during the year. On the whole Municipal roads held up very satisfactorily. Such damage as occurred has been noted under Original Works.

Government grants for special repairs to roads and drains during the year amounted to Rs 42060. The Annual Maintenance grants by the Board to the Public Works Department are as follows :—

(1) For Sherkadanda roads	...	Rs 2,500
(2) Ayarpatta roads	...	„ 3,829
(3) Railings and posts on the Mall	...	„ 50
(4) Drains	...	„ 7,565

The divided responsibility of the Public Works Department and the Municipality in the upkeep of road side drains and the nalas has been a vexed question in the past. It is understood that a small committee is to be convened by Government to discuss and settle the whole question.

The late District Engineer Mr Hunter has paid great attention to municipal roads and they are now in excellent condition.

EDUCATION.

16. Under the advice of the Educational authorities, an Upper Primary Class (III) was added during the year to the municipal school and from the middle of the year fees were levied for all classes. The charging of fees has not affected the attendance which shows an increase. The District Board receives a contribution of Rs 172 per year, and a grant of Rs 200 per year is made to an aided Primary School. The total recurring cost to the Board on boys' education was Rs 1,232 as against Rs 1,094 in the year previous.

There are four girls' schools aided by the Board. The grant to one of these (Arya Samaj) was during the year raised from Rs 100 to Rs 150.

Further accommodation is necessary for Upper Primary boys and the Board must face the cost of opening a new school at Talli Tal.

This will be considered at the time of the revised budget.

L. Chandra Lal, Vakil, member in charge has continued to take great interest in education.

MARKETS

17. The rental demand for the current year, for markets, shops, &c., settled in March 1918, showed a decrease of Rs 349 on the figures for 1917-18. The open space for wholesale in the market fetched only Rs 600 as against Rs 1025 last year. The abolition of the licenses for sale of vegetables and fruits in bazaar shops is responsible for this marked fall.

New butchers have been introduced from Bareilly and this has broken the monopoly of the 'Beef and Mutton Companies.' The result has been a marked improvement in the quality of meat.

Bakers are suffering from difficulties in getting milled flour and have raised their prices.

LIGHTING

18. The expenditure was more by a thousand rupees due to enhanced prices of oil and accessories but the hours of lighting were not curtailed as was done in the previous year. During the current year it has been found necessary to purchase oil from the bazaar as local firms refused to contract with the Municipal Board.

There is no denying that there has been much profiteering especially in the cheaper brands of oil. We are now negotiating direct with the Sub-agents of the Burma Oil and Asiatic Petroleum Companies.

There was a change in the member of Lighting about the middle of the year when L. Govin Lal took up the responsibilities from Mr. Muirhead the Vice Chairman.

Thefts of chimneys and reservoirs have been common. In a case recently detected the thief received a year's imprisonment.

ASSEMBLY ROOMS.

19. Actual income during the year		Rs. 3,699
Balance at close of previous year		" 1,172
	Total	Rs. 4,871
The expenditure was.	...	Rs 4,142
Closing balance.	...	" 729

Instalments of interest on debenture holders were paid during the year for a portion of 1915 and the whole of 1916.

Rs. 1000 are due from the Station Library up to 31st December 1917 and Rs. 650 as balance of rent for the lower storey due from L. Prem Lal Behari Lal lessees. A Civil Suit as regards this amount is pending.

As a result of the Civil Suit filed by the Legal Remembrancer against the Municipal Board, the latter have been authorised to pay off debenture holders. The latter receive 7% in dividends. The trust in favour of the public will be extinguished on payment of the debentures and upon construction by the Municipal Board with the sanction of Government of a new combined Assembly Room and Town Hall worthy of the summer residence of the Local Government.

GENERAL REMARKS.

20. Financially the Board has further improved its position.

Receipts continue to increase while normal expenditure remains steady.

The Board again acknowledges the very generous assistance from the Government in the past year. Special grants required for the upkeep of Water-Works and maintenance of hills sides and drains amounted to no less than Rs. 42,060.

The Sanitation of the Municipality was satisfactory, and incinerators have been working well.

Salt depots were opened at Malli Tal and Talli Tal and salt is being sold at 12 seers to the rupee under the gratuitous supervision of B. Hira Lal, late member, and the Municipal Secretary. L. Ram Lal of Messrs Gangadhar and Sons was good enough to give his shop also the services of his salesman for nothing. Lala Krishan Dass Sah Kumaiyan of Talli Tal has also given his shop at Talli Tal free of charge for the Talli Tal Depot. These gentlemen deserve great credit for their public spirit.

The accounts of the Municipality were duly audited. The audit note did not disclose any serious defect. The present Secretary makes regular inspections of Toll barriers, serais and the pound. Bills for Water Works received up to 15th March were paid within the financial year.

Toll passes are now only issued at the discretion of the Chairman.

The Record Room is still unsatisfactory but an additional hand has been now given and there has been some improvement. A new and enlarged Municipal Office is badly required. It is proposed to provide a new building for the District Board and Municipal Offices on the present site. This will cost at least Rs. 20000 and must, I fear, have to wait until the end of the war.

The thanks of the Board are due to Mr. H. J. Amoore, Executive Engineer for his valuable advice and to Major Kennedy for his water analysis.

Mr. Dible's work on committees especially in connection with byelaws was most valuable. He also made useful inspections of the Municipal office.

Of the non-official members Mr. Muirhead, Vice-Chairman, L. Chandra Lal Vakil, L. Jai Lal Sah, Vakil, and Mr. Busher deserve special mention for the time and trouble they have always devoted to Municipal work. L. Govin Lal did good work as verifying member.

L. Chandra Lal Vakil also did particularly good work in investigating reported mal-practices.

Among the Board's Officials Dr. Dalal, the new Health Officer has worked hard in a new post and is gaining experience.

B. Abinashi Lal, S. P. T. Secretary, has done particularly good work in office and out of doors. He personally detected a number of cases of evasion of tolls and breaches of Forest and Municipal Byelaws. Until the close of the year he had to undertake the duties of head clerk in addition to his own work, while the office was greatly handicapped by the continual illness of the accountant for 10 months.

B. Har Prasad did excellent work as acting accountant.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

C. W. GRANT, I. C. S.,

Deputy Commissioner and

Chairman, City Board,

Naini Tal.

ENCLOSURES.

1. Copy of Special resolutions Nos. 5 (a) and 5 (b) of the meeting of the Municipal Board of Naini Tal, held on the 30th April 1918.
2. Statement in form A.
3. " " " B.
4. Appendix A.
5. " B.
6. " C.
7. " D.
8. " E.
9. A brief report on the working of the Naini Tal Water-Works.
10. Sanitary Report.
11. Abstract of the Assembly Rooms Account.

Copy of special Resolution No. 5 (a) of a meeting of the Municipal Board of Naini Tal, held on the 30th April 1918.

The statement and appendices to accompany the annual administration report for the year ending March 31st 1918, were considered and passed. With regard to the Water Works report the Board are of the opinion that the lake engine should not be used for pumping water to Malli Tal latrine with steam generated from burning refuse. An estimate for connecting the Endcliffe Reservoir with Malli Tal latrine be prepared at an early date.

A. L. SAH,
Secretary.

C. W. GRANT, I.C.S.,
Chairman.

Copy of special resolution No. 5(b) of a meeting of the Municipal Board of Naini Tal, held on the 30th April 1918.

The Sanitary Report for the year ending March 31st, 1918 was considered and passed.

A. L. SAH,
Secretary.

C. W. GRANT, I.C.S.,
Chairman.

ANNUAL STATEMENT
OF
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE

FOR THE YEAR 1917-18.

MUNICIPALITY OF NAINI TAL.

POPULATION 16,788.

INCOME

Number of item	Heads of income.	Actuals of the previous year 1916-1917	Budgei Estimate for the current year 1917-1918	Actuals for the current year 1917-1918
1	2	3	4	5
1	BY BALANCE IN HAND AT CLOSE OF LAST YEAR ...	27,481	57,411	58,797
12	Tax on the annual value of buildings and lands ...	39,187	38,000	41,418
13	Tax on animals and vehicles—			
	(a) tax on vehicles and other conveyance and on boats ...	245	261	248
	(b) tax on dogs ...	836	...	...
	(c) tax on animals used for riding, driving, etc.	1,600	1,800	1,888
	Carried over ...	41,818	40,061	43,554

NOTE—The amount expended in octroi refunds will not be inserted on the expenditure side of Form A. Net receipts will be entered at items 2-9 on the income side.

The net receipts will be determined by reference to the Jinswar (Form 10 and 5) compiled at the head octroi office.

Comparison will at the same time be made with the net octroi income determined by deducting refunds from gross income in the classified abstract, an explanation being given where necessary of the discrepancy between the figures arrived at by these two methods.

INCOME

Number of item	Heads of income.	Actuals of the previous year 1916-1917	Budget Estimate for the current year 1917-1918	Actuals for the current year 1917-1918
1	2	3	4	5
	<i>Brought forward</i> ...	41,818	40,061	43,554
15	Tolls (on and ferries) ...	37,795	39,000	36,892
16	Water tax ...	29,149	28,000	30,108
18	Conservancy (including scavenging latrine) taxes ...	31,190	31,000	33,179
19	Other taxes † ...			
19(a)	Lake frontage tax ...	707	707	707
20	TOTAL RATES AND TAXES ...	1,40,650	1,38,768	1,44,440
	REALIZATIONS UNDER SPECIAL ACT— ...			
21	From pounds ...	45	50	33
23	From licenses for the sale of spirits and drugs ...	129	115	132
23(a)	From other sources ...	134	155	147
24	Total ...	303	320	312
	REVENUE DERIVED FROM MUNICIPAL PROPERTY AND POWERS APART FROM TAXATION— ...			
25	Rents of lands, houses, <i>sarais</i> (rest houses), dak bungalows, etc. ...	8,394	8,520	8,592
26	Sale proceeds of lands and produce of lands, etc. ...	714	800	964
27	Conservancy receipts (other than taxes and rates) ...	722	75	83
	Total carried over ...	9,830	9,395	9,639
	<i>Carried over</i> ...	1,40,958	1,39,088	1,44,752

† To be specified in detail e.g., tax on circumstances and property, pilgrim tax, etc. in as many columns as may be necessary.

* Judicial fines under special Acts should be credited under "Fines" (column 23).

INCOME

Number of item	Heads of income.	Actual of the previous year 1916-1917	Budget Estimate for the current year 1917-1918	Actuals for the current year 1917-1918
1	2	3	4	5
	<i>Brought forward</i> ...	1,40,958	1,39,088	1,44,752
	<i>do</i> ...	9,830	9,395	9,639
28	Fees and revenue from educational institutions ...	5	50	63
30(a)	Market ...	4,633	5,000	4,941
30(b)	Slaughter-houses ...	4,883	5,100	5,238
32	Sale of water—			
	(1) Sale proceeds of water ...	13,296	12,000	8,886
	(2) Rent of meters ...	237	1,500	1,301
	(3) Other items ...	1,731	900	2,388
32(a)	Copying fees ...	51	70	64
32(c)	Registration fees for jhampanies ...	407	500	492
32(d)	License fees for dandies, milk, etc. ...	691	525	521
32(e)	Registration fee for dogs ...	...	1200	1,194
33	Fines under Municipal and other Acts...	683	650	610
	<i>Interest of investments.</i>			
34	For general purposes ...	2	5	5
37	Premium on loans ...	186	756	505
38	Total ...	36,695	37,651	35,847
	<i>Carried over</i> ...	1,77,593	1,76,739	1,80,599

INCOME

Number of item	Heads of income.	Actuals of the previous year 1916-1917	Budget Estimate for the current year 1917-1918	Actuals for the current year 1917-1918
1	2	3	4	5
	<i>Brought forward</i> ...	1,77,593	1,76,739	1,80,599
	GRANTS AND CONTRIBUTIONS (FOR GENERAL AND SPECIAL PURPOSES—			
	<i>From Government</i>			
39	For general purposes ...	36,067	47,745	47,745
	<i>From other sources</i>			
45	For general purposes ...	2,500	...	...
48	Total ...	38,567	47,745	47,745
	MISCELLANEOUS ..			
49	Recoveries on account of services rendered to private individuals ...	871	1,500	1,633
50	Other items ...	1,480	2,000	1,911
51	Total ...	2,351	3,500	3,544
52	TOTAL INCOME OF YEAR EXCLUDING OPENING BALANCE ...	2,18,511	2,27,984	2,31,888
57	Ad- vances { Permanent ...	865	915	915
59	Deposits ...	1,386	...	19,597
60	Total ...	2,251	915	20,512
*61	TOTAL RECEIPTS EXCLUDING OPENING BALANCE ...	2,20,762	2,28,899	2,52,400
†62	TOTAL RECEIPTS INCLUDING OPENING BALANCE ...	2,48,243	2,86,310	3,11,197
63	Incidence of taxation (column 20) per head of population ...	8-6-1	8-4-3	8-9-7
64	Incidence of income (column 52) per head of population ...	13-0-3	13-9-3	13-13-0

* Should show the totals of columns 52 and 60
† " " " " " 1 and 61

EXPENDITURE

Number of item	Heads of income.	Actual of the previous year 1916-1917	Budget Estimate for the current year 1917-1918	Actuals for the current year 1917-1918	
1	2	3	4	5	
	GENERAL ADMINISTRATION AND COLLECTION CHARGES—				
1	General administration (office establishment, inspection, honorary magistrate's establishment, &c.) ...	7,572	8,318	8,318	
2	Collection of taxes including bonded warehouses (establishment, purchase of account books and paper, money boxes, repairs to outposts, etc) ...	814	950	921	
3	Collection of tolls on roads and ferries...	4,128	4,800	4,621	
4	Survey of land ...	2,964	625	555	
5	Refunds (other than octroi) ...	150	950	826	
	Total ...	15,628	15,643	15,241	
	PUBLIC SAFETY—				
9	Lighting (establishment, purchase of lamps, oil, repairs, etc.) ...	7,478	9,983	8,850	
	Total ...	7,478	9,983	8,850	
	PUBLIC HEALTH AND CONVENIENCE—				
12	Water supply {	Capital outlay ...	13,389	27,011	23,237
13		Establishment repairs, etc. ...	40,892	44,590	40,866
14	Drainage {	Capital outlay ...	3,634	35,925	35,923
15		Establishment repairs, etc. ...	7,655	10,000	7,054
	Total carried over ...	65,570	1,17,526	1,07,080	
	Carried over	23,106	25,626	24,091	

EXPENDITURE

Number of item	Heads of income.	Actual of the previous year 1916-1917	Budget Estimate for the current year 1917-1918	Actuals for the current year 1917-1918	
1	2	3	4	5	
	<i>Brought forward</i> ...	23,106	25,626	24,091	
	<i>do</i> ...	65,570	1,17,526	1,07,080	
16	Conservancy (including road cleaning and watering and latrines)				
	(a) Subordinate establishment ...	21,683	24,000	23,061	
	(b) Cost and feed of live stock ...	...	400	388
	(c) Plant and contingencies ...	7,646	3,500	3,004	
17	Charges on account of health officers and sanitary inspectors ...	5,090	5,000	4,847	
18	Hospitals and dispensaries ...	4,885	5,397	4,338	
20	Vaccination ...	419	600	538	
21	Other sanitary requirements ...	9,116	8,260	4,343	
22	Markets and slaughter-houses ...	1,031	2,318	2,107	
23	Pounds ...	24	30	24	
24	Dak bungalows and <i>sarais</i> ...	417	640	615	
25	Arboriculture, public gardens and experimental cultivation ...	619	500	432	
26	Veterinary charges ...	...	1750	...
28	Public Works {	Establishment ...	4,361	3,550	3,004
29		Buildings ...	1,240	3,936	3,936
30		Roads ...	8,520	16,982	16,981
31		Stores ...	114	261	158
	Total ...	1,30,735	1,94,650	1,74,856	
	PUBLIC INSTRUCTION—				
32	Schools and Colleges ...	1,672	2,000	1,860	
32(a)	Construction and repair of school buildings ...	...	100	42
33	Contribution ...	172	172	172	
35	Total ...	1,844	2,272	2,074	
	<i>Carried over</i> ...	1,55,685	2,22,548	2,01,021	

EXPENDITURE

Number of item	Heads of income.	Actuals of the previous year 1916-1917	Budget Estimate for the current year 1917-1918	Actuals for the current year 1917-1918	
1	2	3	4	5	
	<i>Brought forward</i> ...	1,55,685	2,22,548	2,01,021	
	CONTRIBUTION*—				
36	For general purpose ...	2,117	2,117	2,117	
	MISCELLANEOUS—				
38	Interest on loans { Interest due on account of current year ...	10438	9,841	9,834	
39	Actual cost of work done for private individuals ...	695	2,459	2,458	
40	Printing charges ...	1,268	1,900	1,697	
41(a)	Provident fund ...	894	1,300	1,109	
41(b)	Govt. share of nazul proceeds ...	203	286	286	
41(c)	Rents ...	266	300	262	
41(d)	Miscellaneous ...	1,746	2,200	2,098	
41(e)	do Municipal diary at Takula ...	...	54	53	
42	Total ...	4,377	6,040	5,595	
43	Total ...	15,510	18,340	17,797	
44	TOTAL EXPENDITURE ...	1,73,312	2,43,005	2,20,935	
	EXTRAORDINARY AND DEBT—				
48	Re-payment of loans ...	14,922	15,519	15,526	
49	Advance { Permanent ...	865	915	915	
51	Deposits ...	347	...	1,386	
52	Total ...	16,134	16,434	17,827	
*53	TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS ...	1,89,446	2,59,439	2,38,762	* The minimum balance of Rs. 19141 sanctioned by the Commissioner was subsequently raised to Rs 26871 owing to reappropriation in the budget necessitated by the Govt. grant of Rs. 18,135 not anticipated.
	BALANCE—				
54	Deposits ...	1,386		19,597	
55	Actual Balances ...	57,411	*26,871	52,838	
56	Total ...	58,797	26,871	72,435	
†57	GRAND TOTAL ...	2,48,243	2,86,310	3,11,197	
59	Permanent advance ...	865	915	915	

* Contributions should be classified according to the object for which they are made, e.g., for schools under public instruction, etc. Contributions, not made for any particular purpose or for a purpose for which no separate head is provided, should be charged under this head.

* Should show the total of items 44 and 52
† " " " 53 and 56

Signature of Secretary—A. L. SAIH

Signature of Chairman—C. W. GRANT, I.C.S.

Dated the 30th April 1918.

Certified that the balance at the credit of the Naini Tal Municipality in the Naini Tal Treasury was Rs 64039-10-5 (Rupees sixty-four thousand and thirtynine annas ten and pies five only) on the 31st March 1918

C. W. GRANT, I.C.S.,
Chairman

A. L. SAIH,
Secretary.

J. S. GROSE,
Treasury Officer.

Note—The difference of Rs 6395 only between the treasury balance and the balance as shown against item 56 of the statement is due to receipts for 30th March 1918 having been credited into the treasury on 2nd April 1918.

Form B.

MUNICIPALITY OF NAINI TAL.

Statement of Expenditure on Original Works during the year 1917-18.

No.	NATURE OF WORK.	Total estimated cost	Amount expended in previous years	Amount allotted in the year of report	Amount expended during the year of report	REMARKS.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1	Improvement of Slaughter House ...	652	374	550	418	Completed in 1916-17 final payment in 1917-18
2	Improvement of Beef Market at Talli Tal	1,184	146	768	768	Do
3	Scrapping main sewer ...	4,505	3,683	919	920	Do
4	Urgent Sanitary Works ...	1,000	...	1,000	414	In hand some completed
5	A double cell Sialkote incinerator at Rajpore ...	407	...	292	292	Completed in 1916-17 Paid in 1917-18
6	Do at Malden Pail Depot ...	391	...	298	298	Do do Paid in 1917-18
7	A double cell Sialkote incinerator at Ramsay Hospital ...	391	...	306	306	Completed in 1916-17 Paid in 1917-18
8	3 more incinerators at Pany Sarai, The Haining and Jesmond Villa ...	1,200	18	1,126	1,107	Were completed in 1916-17 Paid in 1917-18
9	Special repairs to Cowsheds ...	4,234	...	2,484	203	
10	Connecting Malli Tal Thana drainage with main sewer ...	2,500	1,084	1,416	803	Completed
11	A second double cell Sialkote incinerator at Municipal Market ...	419	...	419	...	Completed but no paid
12	Erecting booths for vendors at St. Loe George and Woodstock ...	176	...	176	216	Completed in 1916-17 Paid in 1917-18
13	Reconstructing bakery godowns at Malli Tal and erection of quarters for bakers' servants ...	5,007	...	5,007	2,641	In progress
14	Boundary Pillars for nazul land ...	1,054	...	210	27	

Form B.

MUNICIPALITY OF NAINI TAL

Statement of Expenditure on Original Works during the year 1917-18.

No.	NATURE OF WORK	Total estimated cost	Amount expended in previous years	Amount allotted in the year of report	Amount expended during the year of report	REMARKS
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
		Rs	Rs	Rs	Rs	
15	Veterinary Hospital ...	...	...	1,750	...	In progress
16	Special repairs to Municipal Roads ...	6,834	...	6,834	6,793	Paid to P. W. D. from Municipal funds
17	Constructing drains below the Reserve Police line at Naini Tal ...	7,975	...	7,975	7,975	Paid to P. W. D. out of Government grant
18	Special repairs to drain No. 66 below the Reserve Police line ...	18,135	...	12,000	12,000	Do
19	Rebuilding and protecting the damaged portion of the Fairy Hall drain ...	15,950	...	15,950	15,948	Paid to P. W. D. from Government grant
20	Water Works Improvement scheme ...	38,517	27,636	10,735	9,520	Since completed
21	Installation of chlorinisation plant at Water Works ...	4,500	2,244	589	588	Completed (saving part transferred to impervious lining Baranadi)
22	Renewal of engine and boiler parts ...	12,270	...	12,270	11,438	Completed
23	Chemical and bacteriological instruments etc, ...	1,750	...	1,750	1,683	These were sold to Industrial Chemist, Cawnpore
24	Providing an impervious lining to Bara Nala near the Water Works ...	8,454	8,600	1,667	8	Completed and since paid for
	Total ...	1,37,505	43,785	86,491	74,366	

A. L. SAH,
Secretary.C. W. GRANT, I.C.S.,
Chairman.

APPENDIX A.

Statement showing the constitution of the board for the municipality of Naini Tal during the year ending 31st March 1918.

City of Naini Tal	66 Naini Tal Act II of 1916	16,788 Summer 9579 Winter	Population within municipal limits.	PARTICULARS AS TO CHAIRMAN.				NUMBER OF MEMBERS OF BOARD.								Total number of meetings held including those specified in columns 19 and 20.	Number of meetings out of the total in column 18 which proved abortive for want of a quorum.	Number of meetings out of the total in column 18 which were adjourned.	Average percentage of officials present at each meeting.	Average percentage of non-officials present at each meeting.	Average percentage of all members present at each meeting.	Remarks.	
				Elected non-official.	Elected official.	Nominated non-official.	Nominated official.	Ex-officio.	Nominated.	Elected.	Total.	Officials.	Non-officials.	Europeans.	Indians.								
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
								Nominated official.	2	3	5	10	3	7	5	5	14	Nil	Nil	19.05	80.61	62.14	The seat of Lt-Col. S. A. Harris, I.M.S. Sanitary Com- missioner is vacant. (a nominated member.)

A. L. SAH,

Secretary.

C. W. GRANT, I.C.S.

Chairman.

APPENDIX B. NAINI TAL MUNICIPALITY.

Statement showing the Expenditure on, and the condition of, all schools maintained from, or aided by, the municipal fund.

Number of scholars on rolls on the 31s March 1918.										Expenditure from municipal funds						Remarks
In English Schools	In training classes	In vernacular middle classes	In upper Primary class- es of vernacular schools	In lower Primary class- es of vernacular schools	In other special schools	Cost of teachers	Contingencies, etc.	Inspection	Scholarships	Contribution to district board	Grants-in-aid	Total recurring ex- penditure	Buildings and occa- sional repairs			
2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	
1	Primary schools (municipal Primary schools) ... Total	1		18	93		757	73		172	...	1032	42	Includes pay of a chautidar at Rs 7 p. month		
		1			73						200	200	..			
2	Total, boys' education	2		18	165		787	73		172	200	1232	42			
		...														
4	Primary schools Total girls' schools	4		225			787	73		172	1000	2032	42			
		...		225							800	800				
		...														
		...														
Total expenditure from municipal funds		6		18	390		787	73		172	1000	2032	42			

Note.—In the case of vernacular middle classes boys who have appeared in the vernacular Final Examination should be shown.

A. L. SAH,
Secretary.

C. W. GRANT, I.C.S.,
Chairman.

APPENDIX C.

Showing expenditure on water works and sewerage and drainage works in the Naini Tal municipality

(One copy to be transmitted to the Sanitary Engineer on or before the 30th April)

Water Works.				Sewerage and drainage works.			
Nature of charges	Budget allotment	Amount of expenditure	Total	Nature of charges.	Budget allotment	Amount of expenditure	Total
1—Establishment—							
(a) Permanent establishment ...		10,460					
(b) Office contingencies ...		195					
2—Pumping ...				2—Construction—			
(a) Coal ...		21,811		(a) Sewers ...	2,335	1,723	
(b) Oil and waste ...		517		(b) Surface drains ...	35,925	35,923	
(c) Other stores ...		999					
	44,590			3.—Repairs—			
				(b) Surface drains ...	10,000	7,054	
5—Distribution—							
(a) Pipes and fittings ...		2,055					
(b) Meters ...		587					
6—Repairs—							
(a) To tanks ...		169					
(b) To buildings and grounds ...		931					
(c) To machinery ...		2,113					
(d) Tools and plants ...		100					
7—Water analysis—		818					
8—Miscellaneous—		111					
Total ...		40,866		Total ...	48,260	44,700	

A. L. SAH,

Secretary.

C. W. GRANT, I.C.S.

Chairman.

APPENDIX D.

WATER WORKS.

Statement of operations during the year 1917-1918.

[One copy to be transmitted to the Sanitary Engineer on or before the 30th April]

<i>Population.</i>						
By census of 1911 in municipality	...	...	...	...	...	16788
Ditto cantonment	...	...	...	...	...	1239
Total						18027
<i>Cost of works.</i>						Rs.
Initial capital cost	...	...	...	...	...	2,47,000
Cost of extensions and improvements to end of previous year	...	...	...	...	...	3,88,723
Ditto ditto during year	...	...	...	...	...	23,237
Total cost of works						6,58,960
<i>Consumption of filtered water.</i>						Gallons
During the year including cantonment	...	...	...	...	...	22781886
Daily average ditto	...	...	...	...	...	62443
Maximum daily average in any one month	...	...	...	...	...	137528
Daily average for cantonment alone	...	...	...	...	...	3552
Average number of hours filtered water pumped daily	...	...	...	...	...	479
<i>Annual charges and receipts.</i>						Rs.
Maintenance charges	...	...	...	...	...	40,566
Total charges with interest and payment of loan.	...	...	...	...	...	63,880
Maintenance charges	40866	...	...	...	...	}
Interest and repayment of loan	23014	...	...	...	...
<i>Income from water works.</i>						Rs.
Water tax received during the year	...	...	...	...	...	30,108
Sale of water and other receipts	...	...	...	...	...	12,575
Total income						42,683
<i>Number of house connections at end of year.</i>						
For purely domestic purposes	...	...	...	...	...	225
For other purposes	...	...	...	...	...	17
Total						242
Number of connections with meter	...	...	...	...	...	238

A. HODGEN,

Superintendent,
Water Works.

C. W. GRANT, I.C.S.,

Chairman.

APPENDIX E.

Statement of Expenditure from non-recurring grants and loans, year 1917-18.

Particulars of loan or grant (authority purpose and amount)	Amount taken up to the end of last year	Amount received during the year under report	Total	Expenditure up to the end of last year	Expenditure in the year under report.	Total	Balance of amount taken up to date left unexpended.	Remarks.
G.O. No. 679/XI716D of 25th Feb. 1912 and G.O. No. 252/XI-406E, dated 16th Jan. 1917 water works improvement scheme Rs 38517	38517	...	38517	27636	9520	37156	1361	
G. O. No. 143M.C./XI-163, dated 23rd June 1917 constructing drains below the Reserve Police line Rs 7975.	...	7975	7975	...	7975	7975	Nil	
G. O. No. 4107/XI-163 dt. 9-11-1917, rebuilding and protecting the damaged portion of the Fairy Hall drain Rs. 15950	...	15950	15950	...	15948	15948	2	
G. O. No. 446/XI-163, dt 5-3-1918 special repairs to drain No. 56 below the Reserve Police lines Rs 18,135	...	18135	18135	...	12000	12000	6135	
Sanitary Board U. P's No. 1422/119s.B, dated 10th Dec. 1915 installation of chlorinisation plant at the water works Rs. 4500	4500	...	4500	2245	588	2833	1667	Transferred to meet the additional expenditure incurred in providing impervious lining and special repairs to Bara Nala.
Sanitary Board U. P's No. 1075/s.B-95, dated 27th Sept. 1916 scraping main sewer Rs 4505	4505	...	4505	3683	920	4603	...	
Renewal of engine and boiler parts Rs 12270	12270	...	12270	...	11438	11438	832	
Sanitary Board U. P's No. 938/s.B-104 and 1068/s.B-104, dt. 31-8 and 7th Oct. 1915 respectively. Improvement of the cattle shed at Talli Tal, of slaughter houses and of beef market quarters for sweepers at Malli Tal and three incinerators Rs 5283	5283	...	5283	3949	1186	5135	50	Rs 98 transferred to scraping main sewer.
Total	65075	42060	107135	37513	59575	97088	10047	

A. L. SAH,
Secretary.C. W. GRANT, I.C.S.
Chairman.

A brief report on the working of the Naini Tal Water Works during the year ended March 31st 1918 by the Superintendent, Water Works.

I beg to submit my report on the working of the Water Works for the year 1917-18.

1. The Engines and Boilers have been kept in good working order. No. 1. engine has been fitted with a new pump end with 5 inch plungers for pumping to the lower and intermediate levels. This engine gives a bigger flow of water and can be worked with an advantage in coal consumption. We have now at the Water Works all the parts for the renewal of the boilers which will be taken in hand during the next rains.

2. The filter plant is in good working order; but has not been used as there is now no need for it—the chlorine plant has taken its place and is far more effective. The chlorine plant is in good working order, though there was no need to use it last year on account of the abnormal rainfall. This plant will only be used if we have to use the Baranadi springs due to shortage of water in a dry season.

The springs at "Spring Cottage" and "Lake View" have worked well in flushing the water-flushed latrines built on that hill side; and have saved coal.

3. All the collecting reservoirs have been cleaned out twice this year the high level springs are visited once a week and kept in a wholesome condition; samples of water are sent weekly to the Medical Examiner and when bad reports are received steps are taken to clean out the infected spring or standpost.

4. The connection for flushing the Malli Tal latrine is in working order. I have a suggestion to make about water to be supplied to the Pail Depot as well which will be a saving in coal. There is a circular iron tank at "Endcliffe" which holds about 8,000 gallons of water. This tank should be erected on a masonry base on the north of the pail depot; and instead of the water that is used in the pail depot being pumped to 250 feet it would only be pumped to about 30 feet and would effect a saving in coal. In this way a greater quantity of water could be used on the same expenditure. The connection from the Lake Engine to the Malli Tal latrine is also in working order.

5. The grounds have been kept in a sanitary condition. The flooring of the Baranadi with ferro concrete slabs has been completed. The dumping of the ashes is causing trouble and a source of complaint; as the slope is full up. The P. W. D. may be asked to take it as a top dressing for their roads. It makes a very good dressing and much better than cutting away the present hill side which is the present practice.

6. The Intermediate pipe line system is now complete and will be a saving in coal.

7. The Lake Engine Plant is in working order; but is doing no work and is locked up capital I would suggest that the boilers be used for burning refuse. In conclusion I put forward my former proposal about the linking up of the Kilberry spring; as there is no recurring expenditure it must pay.

A. HODGEN,
SUPERINTENDENT,
Water Works.

Extract from Board's Special Resolution No. 5 A, dated 30th April 1918.

With regard to the above report the Board are of the opinion that the Lake Engine should not be used for pumping water to Malli Tal latrine with steam generated from burning refuse. An estimate for connecting the Endcliffe reservoir with Malli Tal latrine be prepared at an early date.

C. W. GRANT, I.C.S.,

Chairman.

SANITARY REPORT OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF NAINI TAL FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st MARCH 1918

(One copy to be transmitted direct to the Sanitary Commissioner on or before the 30th April.)

ANSWERS

1. State (a) the total annual income, excluding opening balance, (b) the opening balance (c) the receipts from conservancy and (d) the expenditure on conservancy during the year.

2. State briefly the chief sanitary defects, the remedial measures adopted and new projects under contemplation.

3. State briefly the sanitary works executed or in progress during the year including :

(A) Sewage and drainage—

(1) Number of house connections for sullage and sewage.

(2) Improvements to sewage or drainage

(B) Improvements to water-supply with the the number of new house connections

(C) Improvements to conservancy namely Number of public and private water borne latrines.

(D) Improvements to site and

(E) Any other improvements that may have been effected.

4. How the refuse and night-soil are removed and disposed of?

(a) The places appointed under section 273.

1. (a) 2,31,888, (b) 58,797, (c) 33,262, (d) 26,453.

2. The most glaring sanitary defect is in the existence of very dark and ill ventilated houses in the Malli Tal and Talli Tal Bazaars. Nothing short of an improvement scheme would remedy this defect.

Rubbish disposal :—is being dealt with by incinerators. One new incinerator was put up at the Municipal Market at a cost of Rs 419.

Slaughter Houses :—The space available is very small. There is no office and during the rains the writing and issuing of slaughter house tickets becomes very uncomfortable. The starting of a new dairy farm at Baldia Khan by the Municipality is under contemplation.

3(A). Scraping of the main sewer was done in 1917 at a cost of Rs 4603. A new water borne urinal is under construction near the Talli Tal Post Office.

(1) Malli Tal Thana and Mosque were connected with the main sewer. Brook Hill, Waverley Hotel and Crosthwaite Hospital are also proposed to be connected with the municipal sewer.

(2) Houses Nos. 251, 253 Malli Tal, and Nos. 1, 2, 3, Talli Tal under—ground drains to which access for cleaning can not be had, and which consequently cause nuisance have ordered to be so diverted as to admit of proper cleaning and the work is expected to be done within a few days.

(B) Bacteriological examination of samples of water from all the four springs, and, from stand posts, is made every Monday by Major Kennedy, R.A.M.C. and the springs cleaned out thoroughly whenever necessary.

(C) Malli Tal Bazaar borne latrine which gets out of order almost every year and had to be repaired this year also, has been proposed to be altered to the pattern of the Talli Tal Bazaar latrine.

(D) & (E) Improvements to the beef market, slaughter house and Manora dispensary, cleaning of the lake, Balia Ravine and Sewage Farm.

4. Refuse is partly burnt and partly incinerated and partly carted away. Carting away of refuse although very costly should be increased. Night soil is carried to Pail depots in closed buckets and ultimately disposed of at Ransi where a sewage farm is in existence, though not in working order.

(a) Very few municipal dustbins are in use as rubbish is either buried in the compounds of houses or incinerated. In the Bazaars the shop keepers are ordered to keep numbered receptacles for the temporary deposit of refuse near their shops.

ANSWERS

(b) The number and pattern of public latrine seats for males and females in working order.

(c) The number and pattern of urinals and dustbins.

(d) The number and pattern of private latrines in use and

(e) Total number of cesspits, approximate amount of sullage per day and number of carts used for removal.

5. State the number of notices issued under section 186, 192, 211, 245, 267, 268, 269, 276, 278 and 284 and the number complied with under each section.

6. State if byelaws have been made under the following heads of section 298 A. B. C. D. E. (c), F. G. I. and J. (a) (b) (d)

7. State the number of cases prosecuted under the Adulteration of Food and Drugs Act and the results.

8. Give a brief report on the—

(a) General health of people.

(b) Particularly of any outbreak of epidemic disease during the year with date of commencement and termination, the methods adopted to control the epidemic and arrangements for isolation of infectious cases.

(c) The number of children born and the number of deaths under one year of age from 1st January to 31st Dec. and

(d) The areas which record the highest death-rates.

(b) 78 male seats water borne
35 male seats gumla type
22 female seats water borne
8 female seats gumla type

(c) Dustbins are of the ordinary masonry type. The urinals are of no special type but consist of foot rests on tiled floor. The urine escapes through a hole in the floor.

(d) 80 private latrines of the kadancha pattern, mostly provided with catchpits and drains—a few are of the Honnburry type.

(e) There are no cesspits as liquid sullage is not carted away, but removed by pipes, the amount is not calculated; about 1500 gallons of night soil in winter and 2500 in summer is taken away to pail depots.

5. 151 are under section 267 and one under section 278 and others are nil. Most of the notices are promptly complied with. A few are warned for prosecution.

6. Byelaws under A, E(c) F, G, I, J(a), (b) have been made. Those for "halwais" under F are being made. J (d) rules under section 153 "Scavenging" made and are under reference from Government.

7. One prosecuted and fined Rs 40, one warned by the Chairman, one milk seller is about to be prosecuted.

8. The general health of the people is good. The total mortality for the year is 226 as compared with 242 of the last year.

(a) The total mortality among children under one year of age from all causes from 1st January to 31st December is 68 as compared with 71 of the last year.

Respiratory diseases cause the largest number of deaths
(b) There has not been any outbreak of an epidemic or an infectious disease. Relapsing fever is fairly common among the dotials and the poorer class of people, 55 cases having been admitted during the year into the Manora Hospital for treatment.

(c) Births 273.

Deaths under one year of age 68 equivalent to an infantile mortality of 249 per thousand as against 272 per thousand in the year previous.

(d) The two Bazaars Malli Tal and Talli Tal.

C. W. GRANT, I.C.S.,
Chairman,
City Board, Naini Tal.

M. R. DALAL,
L. R. C. P. & S. L. F. P. S. D. P. H.
Medical Officer of Health, Naini Tal City

Abstract of the Assembly Rooms account for the year ending
31st March 1918.

Receipts.	Amount.	Total.	Expenditure.	Amount.	Total.	Remarks.
By balance in hand on 1st April 1917	...	1172	To pay of Establish- ment	557		
„ hire of rooms and furniture ...	2080		„ interest on debenture shares ...	2625		
„ rent of shops ...	1000		„ repairs ...	419		
„ rent of library ...	500		„ fire policy ...	251		
„ recoveries on ac- count of civil suits	119	3699	„ Govt. land revenue	1		
			„ Uniforms ...	23		
			„ Contingencies ...	8		
			„ Civil Suits ...	212		
			„ Advertisements "To Let" ...	82		
			„ Miscellaneous ...	14	4142	
			Cash balance on 31st March 1918 ...	...	729	
Total ...	...	4871	Total ...	..	4871	

A. L. SAH,

Secretary.

C. W. GRANT, t.c.s.,

Chairman.

